

## SWITZERLAND SUPPORTS WILSON'S PEACE APPEAL

### Swiss Federal Council Sends Note To Belligerents

Would Support the Efforts of the President of the United States, and Act in Any Way Possible to Bring About a Lasting Peace—Further Comment On President Wilson's Note.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Switzerland, in a note to all of the warring peoples has announced its support of President Wilson's appeal for a discussion of peace terms, saying it "would consider itself happy if it could act in any, no matter how modest a way for the approachment of the peoples now engaged in the struggle and for a lasting peace."

The note was sent to the belligerents Friday by the Swiss federal council, and Dr. Paul Ritter, minister of Switzerland, presented a copy to the state department yesterday. Secretary Lansing made it public tonight. The translated text follows: "The president of the United States of America, with whom the Swiss federal council, guided by its warm desire that the hostilities may soon come to an end has for a considerable time been in touch, had the kindness to apprise the federal council of the peace note sent to the governments of the central and entente powers. In this note President Wilson discusses the great desirability of international agreements for the purpose of avoiding more effectively and permanently the occurrence of catastrophes such as the one under which the peoples are suffering today. In this connection he lays particular stress upon the necessity for bringing about an end of the present war. Without making peace proposals or offering mediation he confines himself to sounding as to whether mankind may hope to have approached the haven of peace."

"The most noteworthy personal initiative of President Wilson will find a mighty echo in Switzerland. True to the obligations arising from observing the strictest neutrality, the Swiss federal council, in the name of the states of both warring groups of powers, situated like an island amidst the seething waves of the terrible world war with its ideal and material interests most sensibly jeopardized and violated, our country is filled with a deep longing for peace, and ready to assist by its small means to stop the endless sufferings caused by the war and brought before its eyes by daily contact with the interned, the severely wounded and those expelled and to establish the foundation for a beneficial co-operation of the peoples."

"The Swiss federal council therefore is glad to seize the opportunity to support the efforts of the president of the United States. It would consider itself happy if it could act in any, no matter how modest a way, for the approachment of the peoples now engaged in the struggle, and for reaching a lasting peace."

**French Are Sidelined Anew**  
Paris, Dec. 24.—The unanimous vote of the senate affirming that France cannot conclude peace with an enemy who occupies French territory coming at the same time as the peace note of the Swiss government, has stirred anew the French press and public. The action of the senate gave further evidence of the attitude of the entente allies regarding President Wilson's proposals.

The foreign affairs committee of the chamber devoted a large part of the session yesterday to an examination of President Wilson's note.

**Comment of Paris Papers**  
The Petit Journal suggests that President Wilson in sending the note knew he would have the support of Switzerland and says: "France pities its neighbor, menaced like Belgium perhaps, but France, which did not want war, knows that there are suggestions that honor and interest prevent it from hearing."

The Petit Parisien says that the Swiss note is only one of the declarations of President Wilson referring to discussions engaged in five weeks ago between Bern and Washington. It adds: "The note deserves the same courteous examination and reserve France will not forget the treatment by the Swiss of the interned and repatriated people, but has a right to recall that as to the war the entente allies cannot be placed on the same footing as the central powers."

"The Echo de Paris says: "Our resolution will demonstrate once more that the federal council would be mistaken as the feeling of the allies, and the French in particular, it believed them disposed to negotiate with Germany. Germany has attempted the same effort in Switzerland as in the other European neutral countries to procure benevolent intervention. Switzerland needs the victory of the allies to prevent her own absorption by Germany."

The Matin denounced the American note without regard to the questions. Instead of asking the governments to make known the objects of the war, it limits itself to the very honorable wish that peace be concluded now, and homage is to be rendered to the sentiments dictating the note.

**Expreses Full Satisfaction**  
Rome, Saturday, Dec. 23.—The Osservatore vaticano in reference to President Wilson's note to the belligerents says it wishes to express full satisfaction for this "very important document" by which the authoritative voice of the head of the Great American republic calls the warring parties to "consider their grave responsibilities and advises means to end the war." The paper expresses the hope that the note will be favorably received.

Pope Benedict who had been informed regarding the note since Monday last, expressed the hope it would

have a beneficial effect. The Giornale D'Italia says the document is humanitarian and praiseworthy but expresses doubt as to its practicality. It fears that it would be Utopian to attempt to arrange a really durable and equitable peace without defeating Germany and her allies—by making a peace which would be simply a truce at arms.

**Think Wilson for Effort.**  
The Hague, Friday, Dec. 22.—via London, Dec. 24.—Delayed Cable messages were sent President Wilson today thanking him for "his effort for peace" wishing him success and invoking the divine blessing upon it from the Netherlands group of the world union of churches, the Netherlands national women's council and the Liberal Democratic Union.

**Blended to Russian Minister.**  
London, Dec. 24.—David R. Francis, the American ambassador at Petrograd yesterday handed President Wilson's note to the belligerent powers to the Russian minister of foreign affairs, says a Reuter Despatch from Petrograd today.

**Despatch Quotes Premier Hughes.**  
London, Dec. 25.—A Reuter despatch from Melbourne today quotes Premier Hughes of the Australian commonwealth as following in reference to Secretary Lansing's explanation of President Wilson's note to the belligerents:

"Under the guise of an addenda to the peace note deploring the war the explanation abruptly discloses that the situation is critical enough to bring the mediator to the verge of war. The peace note cannot be read apart from the thinly veiled demand to know the allies intentions not for the purpose of mediation but for America's interests. Seen in this light the note is more of an ultimatum than an effort at mediation."

**Interpretation Confused.**  
Berlin, Dec. 24.—By wireless to Tuckerton, N. J.—The interpretation of President Wilson's suggestions concerning peace are somewhat confused by the fact that yesterday's comment were made from short abstracts from the note and Secretary Lansing's statement, says the Overseas News Agency.

"This confusion," the news agency adds, "is illustrated by the fact that the comment published by the Vossische Zeitung yesterday and today differs in important points. Yesterday the Vossische Zeitung considered the president's note as 'diplomatic intrigue' which had been prompted by a desire to shield England and declared that the note ought to be received by Germany with the greatest distrust. Today's comment by the Vossische Zeitung recognizes that the president's suggestions in their main points are reconcilable with Germany's attitude. It says the note is a complicated document, which is open to various interpretation, and adds:

"There is no reason for Germany to harbor distrust against President Wilson and believe he was insincere when he suggested to our adversaries that they make known their peace conditions."

The German press is divided into two groups as to the interpretation of the president's note."

**Tageblatt's Comment.**  
Berlin, Dec. 24.—By wireless to Tuckerton.—The Berliner Tageblatt and other newspapers comment today in sympathetic fashion on President Wilson's suggestion regarding the peace terms of the belligerents.

"We welcome the step taken by President Wilson," says the Tageblatt, "as we welcome every step that is made in order to bring about peace."

**Serves the Cause of Peace.**  
The Vorwaerts the Socialist organ, says: "The president's note serves the cause of peace."

The Hamburger Fremdenblatt points out that the highest ambition of President Wilson is to serve the cause of peace, while the Boersen Zeitung and the Freisinnige Zeitung likewise comment in a sympathetic vein.

**Sympathetic Reception**  
Berlin, Dec. 24.—via Savilla.—Dr. Buscho-Haddenhausen under secretary of state for foreign affairs and formerly first secretary of the embassy at Washington in an interview with a member of the Overseas News Agency staff regarding President Wilson's note to the belligerents describes the reception of the note by German official circles as sympathetic. The under-secretary opened the conversation himself without delay, says the news agency report, by saying:

"I am sure you know what you want to ask me. You want to know our opinion about what I may call President Wilson's peace note. In this case I think it would be best if you asked me regarding those points which impress you as most important."

In complying with his suggestion the interviewer said:

"There are two main points in the president's note which although interwoven with each other make separate consideration necessary. The first is in relation to the immediate and near future and conveys the meaning that the conditions ought to be made known under what the belligerents consider the conclusion of the peace proposals. The second problem is further reaching. It takes a broad view of the possibilities of the future in general and asks by what means such a catastrophe as the present can be averted."

Baron Buscho, says the account of the interview, agreed to this and said that also in his mind the two points mentioned made a somewhat different treatment desirable.

"As to the problem which you mentioned last," the under-secretary said, "I dare say that the United States will play an important part in the future."

## PROPOSE CONFERENCE OF HOUSE REPUBLICANS

### To Outline a Definite Plan of Constructive Action

Representative Gardner Will Seek to Have Conference Called for Purpose of Forming Policies for the Future.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Agitation for a conference of house Republicans to outline a definite plan of constructive action during this and the next Congress to replace the present policy of merely opposing Democratic proposals began today to take definite form.

Upon his return from Cincinnati, where he announced his opposition to Republican Leader Mann for the speaker of the next house and his support of Representative Lenroot, of Wisconsin, for the place, Representative Gardner, of Massachusetts, said he would seek immediately to have a conference called for the purpose of formulating policies for the future. He made it clear his effort to obtain a conference should be entirely disassociated from his opposition to Mr. Mann which he says is based solely on his conviction that Mr. Mann stands for "Prussia and Prussianism" in international affairs.

Until Mann endorsed President Wilson's recent peace message, Gardner said, he favored him.

"I shall endeavor to have a conference called to formulate policies and discuss them rather than personalities," said the Massachusetts representative. "I am tired to death of waiting for a lot of big wig in the Republican party to prepare a platform for us that means nothing. The Republican party more nearly represents the people than any other and it is high time that we were planning for urging the adoption of many progressive ideas which already have been incorporated into laws in other countries."

Representative Lenroot evidenced keen interest in the conference proposal and said he favored a similar plan.

Coincident with the return of Mr. Gardner it became known that he recently conferred with Colonel Roosevelt on the house situation. Other than saying that a conference had been held, however, Mr. Gardner declined to discuss the meeting. In political circles the colonel's activity is interpreted as indicating he intends to take more than a passing interest in the organization of the house. Some observers see in the present agitation for changes in the conduct of the Republican work in the house a part of a general move of progressively inclined Republicans to command a hearing in the 1920 campaign work.

## WAR NEWS SUMMARIZED

The forces of the Teutonic allies in the Dobruja region of the Roumania still are hammering hard the Russian and Romanian lines in the north. The town of Isakische, on the east bank of the Danube, opposite Brad, had been captured by the invaders who are also keeping up their operations in the region of Tulcea, seeking to make secure the bridgehead for operations against Southern Bessarabia.

The north bank of the Danube is being vigorously shelled from this latter sector by the artillery of the central powers.

In Galicia and up in the Carpathian mountains considerable activity still prevails, with the Russians the aggressors. In the Carpathians the Russians have captured several Austro-German positions and farther south near the Transylvania-Romanian frontier have taken a ridge from the Germans.

The third Christmas of the war, finds the belligerent forces still well entrenched and using their artillery as the chief methods of warfare. Only small infantry engagements are reported from any of the fronts.

## TRAPPERS FORCED TO RACE FOR THEIR LIVES

### Michigan Hunters are Pursued by Hungry Wolf Pack in Lake Superior Region.

Standish, Mich., Dec. 24.—Three trappers, Carl S. Leonard, George Weston and Bert Parker reached here today from a hunting trip in the Lake Superior region and told of a race for their lives with a wolf pack while returning from their traps last week. The men were on skates three miles from the nearest cabin when the wolves appeared.

One of the trappers shot one of the pack and the other wolves quickly tore their wounded member to pieces giving the hunters time for a start. Several times when the wolves were nearly on them this was repeated, the men said, until they finally reached the cabin of Louis Anderson of the lake shore.

## WOULD BE OFFENSE AGAINST PATRIOTISM

PARIS, Dec. 24.—A duel between Frenchmen in war times would be a real offense against patriotism. Such was the formal declaration signed today by the seconds of Deputy Adrien Verber and Captain Charles Tisserre, and the proposed encounter was abandoned.

The men engaged in an argument in which a blow was said to have been struck, a challenge following.

## MIDDLEWEIGHTS SIGN

New Orleans, La., Dec. 24.—Billy Miske of St. Paul and Jack Dillon of Indianapolis, middle weight fighters, signed for a 20-round fight here on February 2, it was announced tonight.

## HOUSE OF CORRECTION NOW SELF-SUSTAINING

### Chicago Institution More Than "Pay" for Maintenance by Prisoners' Work.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—The House of Correction which confines constantly an average of 1,900 city prisoners became self-sustaining this year the work of the prisoners producing a gross value of \$400,000, several thousand dollars more than it costs the city to maintain the institution. In the annual report of John L. Whitman, just made public it was announced that in January, 1917, the institution would be able to begin paying a proportion of each inmate's earnings to his dependents. The House of Correction conducts a stone quarry for repairing the city streets, a printing office for the city printing, broom factories, harness shop, wagon repair shop, a green house and a garment shop. During the last year a profit of \$150,000 was made in gathering waste paper and junk from other city institutions.

## RAFFLE BACHELORS AT CHRISTMAS DANCE

### Three "Good Providers" Are Won at Matrimonial Lottery

Glen Carbon Bachelors' Club Dance Scene of Unusual Occasion—Two Denver, Colorado, Girls are "Prize Winners"—Men Guaranteed to "Stand Hitched."

GLEN CARBON, Ill., Dec. 24.—Three "eligible" bachelors guaranteed "good providers" and disposed of in double harness, were won by three women at a matrimonial lottery early this morning, the climax of a dance given by the Glen Carbon Bachelors' Club.

The names of prizes and the holders of the lucky numbers, as given out by Carl Huffman, a member of the club, are:

Joe Clenson, 33, coal miner of Glen Carbon, won by Miss Maude Fletcher of Glen Carbon.

Charles Henderson, 28, marble worker of Edwardsville, won by Miss Sarah Brown of Denver, Colo.

Joe Jiggers, 34, bartender of Glen Carbon, won by Miss Rose Brown of Denver.

The Misses Brown are sisters. They were not present at the drawing, having sent their numbers and names to two young women of Glen Carbon who drew for them.

The question of marriage was left to the couples themselves. One of the original three bachelors, who offered themselves for the lottery is said to have taken down with a case of "cold feet" at the last moment and Joe Clenson volunteered to take his place.

The numbers of the women were placed in a woman's hat and the names of the willing three in a man's hat. They were drawn simultaneously by a small boy.

The chances were advertised at ten cents a piece but many of the women were given free tickets at the dance hall door, Mr. Huffman stated. Each ticket bore a number. Nearly every unmarried eligible woman in Glen Carbon was present, it is said.

The Bachelors' Club has four members, who hold themselves out as the only real bachelors of the town. They are Carl Huffman, Cy Henshaw, Herman Paffelt and Alway Strong. These four promised that the "prizes" they offered would "stand hitched."

**High Mass at Midnight**  
El Paso, Texas, Dec. 24.—High mass at midnight in the camp of the thirty-second Michigan infantry followed the first Christmas under canvas for thousands of national guardsmen on the Mexican border.

Chaplain Patrick Dunigan officiated at a midnight mass attended by the Michigan regiment and many enlisted men and civilians from the army camps and city.

Telegrams from the governors of the states represented in this district by National guard troops were received here for the guardsmen and regular army soldiers. A turkey dinner will be served to every man in this district tomorrow.

**Private Dixon of 8th Ohio Will Appear Before Summary Court.**  
El Paso, Texas, Dec. 24.—It was announced late tonight by Gen. George Bell, Jr., commander of the provisional division here that Private Dixon of the eighth Ohio infantry would be called before a summary court Tuesday to answer the charge of having drafted the "round robin" signed by approximately four hundred members of the eighth Ohio infantry and sent to an Akron, Ohio, newspaper, but intercepted enroute.

Twenty or more non-commissioned officers of the regiment who signed the paper which voiced a protest against camp conditions would be asked to resign and return to the ranks, because of their "unmilitary actions," according to the district commander.

## HEAD OF NEW HAVEN BRUSH COMPANY DIES

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Elmer W. Griswold, president of the New Haven Brush company and a former member of the Connecticut general assembly died in a hospital here today of anthrax after a brief illness. He injured a finger while at work in his factory Friday and physicians believe the disease, which rarely attacks human beings, was communicated to the wound from an infected bristle of a hair brush.

## ACTIVITY OF RIVAL AIRMEN IS REVIVED

### Clash of Aviators on British Front a Remarkable Spectacle

Associated Press Correspondent Gives Graphic Description of Reception of German Machines by the British.

WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN FRANCE, Dec. 24.—via London.—From a staff correspondent of the Associated Press.—A day of sunshine—a rarity in December on the British front—recently caused a temporary revival of activity among the aviators, presenting a spectacle which a few years ago could have lived only in the imagination.

Out of the distance there came early in the day a series of black specks which gradually grew until they took the form of German airplanes. From points of telescopic observation their approach had been signalled long before even the first "tiny dots were visible to the naked eye."

British guns were ready and British airplanes were already climbing above the ruins of the shell torn Flanders town to challenge the invaders.

While the German machines were still over their own lines the British anti-aircraft cannon known as "Archie" began to speak.

A sharp, angry crack, and a moment later a shrapnel shell burst in to a white puff ball in the path of the oncoming airplanes. At first, the white speck of powder smoke seemed no larger than a pin head but it soon spread until it appeared as an exaggerated balloon and floated as lazily against the sky.

Then there was another puff and another, until it seemed that half a hundred "Archie" must be going and the sky became a net-work of white smoke-balls. Plunging in and out among the exploding shrapnel, the approaching airplanes left a wake of flicks and puffs of smoke.

**British Flyers Eager.**

Up and up thru the danger zone of their own guns, the British aviators climbed eagerly to the fight. The distant hum of the hostile motors now could be heard, mingled with the louder, bee-like drone of the British machines and between the scarcely perceptible intervals of the "Archie" fire came the staccato of the machine guns. The British aviators had opened fire before reaching the level of their adversaries.

Now the British machines began to close in from various directions and the invaders turned suddenly and started for their own lines. Their somewhat precipitate retreat was marked by the same trail of shell fire as had been their approach. The British aviators pursued, but having in this instance the distinct advantage of height and a diving start for home the Germans temporarily got away.

**Two Machines Destroyed.**

This was the first phase of the day's battles in the air, a prelude to the later fighting, when two German machines came crashing to earth in spinning nose-dives. Airplanes are never so much like birds as when they meet in an aerial combat. They dart, dash, circle, turn and swoop like so many feathered warriors, and often the battle rages at such high altitudes that the machines become all but invisible.

Again there will be among the clouds when the more daring aviators make startling plunges thru the intervening mist to catch their opponents unawares. Most of the fighting aviators endeavor to "get on the other fellows' tail." This means a position above and slightly behind the adversary, where one can fire down into him. Others, however, prefer to attack from a position directly underneath, thinking they have a steadier firing platform in climbing than in diving.

**Have Great Stability.**

The latter-day machines have such wonderful stability that they can be brought down only by direct hits, killing the pilot or piercing the petrol tank in which latter event the airplane generally catches fire and falls in a blazing spiral. Recently there have been fights on the British front in which from sixty to eighty machines were engaged. Such battles begin with individual fights and gradually develop into a general melee, as reinforcements arrive from both sides.

There have been as high as 35 separate fights in a single day on this front alone. Near the point where the British and French lines join there have been fights as the French have come to the assistance of the English and the English have gone to the assistance of the French to help defeat the Germans. There have been numerous engagements in which British aviators have closed within twenty yards of the adversary, firing point blank into him. There have been both English and French instances of aviators, as a last resort deliberately crashing into a German and sending him down.

After one instance of that sort a British aviator brought his machine down with only one wing. He could only effect a landing with his engine going and had deliberately to collide with a tree, seriously injuring himself.

There was one memorable occasion when three British machines dived into a formation of seventeen German machines destroying two of the hostile planes and themselves escaping unhurt. Another time two British aviators attacked eleven Germans and once a second lieutenant of the British corps attacked five hostile machines. He in turn was attacked from behind but turned and got in the rear of the hostile craft and keeping "on its tail" drove it down. The British aviators take great

## ATTEND CHRISTMAS EVE CELEBRATION

### President and Mrs. Wilson Join in Singing Christmas Carols

Washington, Dec. 24.—The President and Mrs. Wilson attended a community Christmas Eve celebration here today and for more than an hour stood on the steps of the treasury department singing Christmas carols with several thousand men, women and children. With them were Francis B. Sayre and Mrs. Sayre who was Miss Jessie Woodrow Wilson. Miss Margaret Wilson was one of the leaders of the singing and Secretary and Mrs. McAdoo stood with her. The celebration held under the auspices of the Washington playgrounds association was participated in by boy and girl scouts.

The president had not planned to attend, but just before the singing began he walked over from the white house with members of his family. He was handed a sheet of music and joined in singing. In his remarks he and Mrs. Wilson talked with the children and wished them a Merry Xmas.

This morning, the president and his wife went to church and in the evening they visited relatives. A large Christmas tree has been put upon the second floor of the white house for tomorrow's celebration, in which Josephine Cotheran, the president's grand niece, and Ellen McAdoo, his grand daughter, will be the principal figures. The president has no engagements during the day and does not plan to go to his office.

## VILLA TROOPS OCCUPY TORREON

### Reports Assert No Foreign Property Has Been Harmed

**Bandits Men Get Possession of City Friday After Nine Hours of Fighting—Trouble Feared at Juarez.**  
EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 24.—A representative of the state department announced here today he had received information he considered reliable that Francisco Villa's troops had occupied Torreon at 1 o'clock Friday afternoon following a fight which started at 4 o'clock the same morning.

From the same source it was announced Villa had not harmed any foreign property and had given guarantees to the foreigners still remaining in the city. Villa was not at Torreon in person, it was said, as he was in the vicinity of Bermejillo yesterday.

**No Details are Given.**

Washington, Dec. 24.—Official reports to the state department today from border and Mexican interior points said Villa bandits occupied Torreon yesterday. No details were given except that many foreigners had departed before the bandits entered.

**Murguia Assumes Command.**  
Juarez, Mex., Dec. 24.—General Jose Murguia, brother of the new commander of the northeast zone, assumed command of the border forces here and in northern Chihuahua today.

General Murguia relieved General Francisco Gonzales, who has been the military commander here for the past eight months. General Gonzales announced his intention of taking the field against Villa.

Fear of a clash between the 800 men of General Gonzales and the 700 soldiers of General Murguia were expressed here tonight by civilian residents. A majority of both commands are in the town and there were many apparently intoxicated soldiers on the streets during the Christmas eve band concert. The feeling between the two commands is said to be unfriendly.

**Attempts to Blow Up Train Fail.**  
Laredo, Texas, Dec. 24.—Bandit attempts to blow up a train at Gomez Farias near Saltillo, on December 21 failed according to passengers arriving here tonight from the interior.

Military yesterday's report that an indifferent number of persons had been killed was declared untrue. The outlaws, it was stated tonight removed a rail from the track causing the locomotive and two coaches to leave the track. The engineer and fireman were crushed to death. Constitutional troops on the wrecked train pursued the bandits.

## PLACE EMBARGO AS PRECAUTIONARY ACT

LAREDO, TEXAS, Dec. 24.—As a precautionary measure against the introduction into the United States from Mexico of Anthrax, foot and mouth disease, and rinderpest, the treasury department at Washington has instructed the Laredo customs officials that an embargo on skins and hides of cattle, goats and sheep, except abattoir and hard sun dried skins will go into effect Jan. 1.

## NEW LAW PROHIBITS IMPORTING OF LUXURIES

VIENNA, Dec. 24.—via London.—A law prohibiting the importation into Austria-Hungary of all articles of luxury became effective today. The list includes southern fruits, champagne, chocolate, high priced textiles such as silk and half silk garments, furs, toys, jewelry, musical instruments and perfumery. Travelers to Austria-Hungary are warned not to wear jewelry, which will be confiscated.

satisfaction from the result of a recent fight when they attacked a German bombing squadron trying to cross the British lines. In the heat of the aerial combat the Germans let go bombs which fell into their own lines.

## CHRISTMAS CHEER FOR BIG CITY'S POOR

### Police Stations Transformed Into Storehouses for Gifts

Spirit Shown in New York is Reflected the Country Over—Novel Celebration at Eagle Pass, Texas—Midnight Mass Held at Camp Wilson, San Antonio

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—When the great "tree of light" flashed into life in Madison Square Garden at 6 o'clock tonight the official celebration of Christmas was begun in New York.

Six hours later prayers for world peace were offered at midnight mass at the Roman Catholic churches of the city.

But the distribution of Christmas cheer for the city's poor did not wait for nightfall. Police stations throughout the greater city were literally transformed into great storehouses for gifts of all descriptions intended for the needy. There had been provided in some of the station houses while others were decorated with Christmas greens and flags. The police themselves acted as Santa Claus deputies in distributing the presents contributed for the poor. They also provided entertainment with motion pictures, music and games.

In front of several of the station houses the crowds of small girls and boys were so large that the traffic in the neighborhoods virtually was suspended. Most of these children came from the tenements and but for the police they probably would have gone without hot meals today. The Salvation Army has arranged, it was announced to care for the largest number of persons in its history at its dinner for the poor tomorrow.

Postmaster Morgan declared tonight that the flood of Christmas mail this year is the largest in the history of the observance. He estimated that when the final deliveries are made Monday more than 12,000,000 will have been handled. The previous record was 10,000,000 pieces distributed last Christmas.

Every carrier and sorter in the city worked today that there might be no delay. Outgoing mail has been held up, it was said, by inability of the railways to supply cars to handle it.

## Decatur's Third Celebration

Decatur, Ill., Dec. 24.—Decatur's third annual municipal Christmas celebration was participated in tonight by the largest number in the history of the observance. A choir of 10 voices sang "Adeste Fideles" under the radiance of a large electrically lighted tree over which was suspended an illuminated star. A prayer for peace was a feature.

## Novel Celebration on Border

Eagle Pass, Texas, Dec. 24.—Mexico sang to the United States and the United States sang to Mexico in a novel Christmas celebration here at midnight tonight, when a member of the choir of the Piedras Negras Roman Catholic Church standing on the Mexican bank of the Rio Grande sang the first stanza of the "Adeste Fideles"—"Come Ye Faithful"—the second stanza being immediately picked up by a member of the choir of the Eagle Pass Church of Our Lady of Refuge on the Texas bank of the international boundary. Alternating in this manner, the entire hymn was rendered.

**Thousands Fill Park**  
Chicago, Dec. 24.—Gems from the Tower of Jewels of the Panama-Pacific Exposition sparkled under the play of a hundred search lights on Chicago's Municipal Christmas tree tonight. Thousands of persons filled Grant Park and joined in the singing of Christmas carols led by a score of Choral societies.

The formal lighting of the tree was preceded by a parade of city officials, cavalrymen, naval reserve and citizens which formed at the city hall and proceeded to the park on the lake front. There were no electric lights on the tree itself, nor in the grove of smaller trees surrounding its base. The brilliant effect was obtained by the searchlights. After the first blaze the lights were extinguished, and "the star of Bethlehem" at the peak of the tree, 100 feet above the ground shone alone for a few minutes.

## Held Midnight Mass

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 24.—As midnight tolled the birth of a new Christmas, thousands of national guardsmen and many civilians stood with bared heads in Camp Wilson here at the first midnight mass held in an army camp since the Civil War. Father O'Hearn, chaplain of the seventh Illinois infantry stationed at Camp Wilson, was the celebrant. Services were held in the open air.

## WILL ADVANCE RATES

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 24.—The Wheeling Daily News today announced its subscription rates will be advanced from ten cents to 13 cents a week on January 14th.

## WEATHER INDICATIONS AND TEMPERATURES

Illinois.—Increasing cloudiness Monday, followed by snow in northern and rain in southern portions at night and on Tuesday, not much change in temperature.

## Temperatures

The current, maximum and minimum temperatures as recorder Sunday were:			
Jacksonville	28	38	26
Boston	30	34	26
Buffalo	32	34	16
New York	32	34	24
New Orleans	62	68	50
Chicago	28	34	24
Detroit	32	32	16
Omaha	12	18	16
St. Paul	10	16	6
St. Helena	6	— 2	— 4
San Francisco	44	48	48
Minneapolis	— 12	— 6	— 22



## Our Heartiest Greetings

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### NOTABLE BIRTHDAYS TODAY.

December 25.  
Georges Guymer, French war aviation hero, who recently brought down his 23rd German plane, is 22 years old today. Guymer is today's most popular idol in France and has replaced in the people's imagination the ill-fated Pegoud, the loop-the-loop hero killed by the Germans during the past year. Guymer is as much of a dare-devil as Pegoud, and every honor that the French Army can bestow for bravery has been bestowed upon him; only the "Wooden Cross", meaning a soldier's grave in the field, now remains, according to a grim joke of his, to be given to him. Guymer was born in Paris on Christmas Day, 1894, and at the outbreak of the war was a student at the University of Paris. His father is a wealthy manufacturer. Curiously enough, Guymer is serving only as a volunteer. He was five times refused for the regular army because of his being underweight. In the second year of the war, however, he managed to get into the aviation corps. In a little over six months he was the most famous aviator in France and had received the war cross and been made a knight of the Legion of Honor.

Grace George, famous American actress, 37 years old today.

Fay Templeton, popular musical comedy star, 51 years old today.

Hon. Edward J. Hale, U. S. Minister to Costa Rica, 77 years old today.

Mary Beulah Dix Flebbe, American playwright, author of notable war plays, "Over the Border," and "Moloch," 40 years old today.

Right Rev. Paul Matthews, Episcopal Bishop of New Jersey, 50 years old today.

### THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

December 25.  
1642—Sir Isaac Newton, discoverer of the law of gravitation, born; died March 29, 1727.

1777—Vermont, first settled in 1725, became an independent state, after having been claimed as a part of New Hampshire.

1796—Kosciusko came to America after having been liberated with other Polish heroes by Emperor Paul of Russia.

1813—Violent eruption of Mount Etna.

1816—Treaty signed between the United States and the Bey of Algeria.

1838—Bagdad captured by the Turks.

1864—Union forces repulsed at Fort Fisher, N. C.

1876—Famous Mont Genis Tunnel completed.

1894—Georges Guymer, French aviator hero in the Great War, born in Paris.

1859—Destructive earthquake in Southern California.

1905—President Morales of San Domingo left the capital in secret.

1916—Juan Luis San Fuentes inaugurated president of the Republic of Chile.

### The War.

1914—Russia cedes Sakhalin Islands to Japan in return for artillery. Italy lands troops at Avlona, to preserve political unity of that kingdom.

1915—Henry Ford, Ill., leaves peace party at Stockholm to arrange neutral conference on peace, and returns alone to America.

Nineteen Social-Democrats violently oppose voting of new war credit of \$2,500,000,000 in the German Reichstag, which votes the sum despite opposition.

### THIS DATE IN HISTORY

December 25, 1830—Coles and McLean counties were organized.

## HUNTING IS RATED MOST DANGEROUS SPORT

Hunting, America's most dangerous sport, reaped a toll of 196 lives during the 1916 season.

Completed returns from the Maine woods brought the total to that figure.

The number of injured probably never will be known, but more than 40 were seriously hurt.

Fatalities, as usual were heavier in Maine and Michigan, where hundreds of sportsmen flock every year to hunt deer and other large game.

Mistaking hunters for deer and carelessness were the main causes for fatalities.

Many deaths occurred in states where there is nothing larger to shoot than rabbits or ducks.

Death due to hunting were much heavier than last year when 59 deaths and 66 injuries were reported. In 1914, 111 were killed and 162 wounded.

It is estimated 10,000 hunters scoured the Michigan woods and almost as many sought big game in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Maine.

These figures do not include deaths due to hunting in Canada, where there are always many fatalities.

Game wardens in the big game states declare that nervous hunters, novices at the game are responsible to a great measure for the number of deaths.

Shooting at sounds and bits of moving color many times lead to deaths, wardens declare.

### Hunting Accidents.

Killed.	Wounded.
California .....	2
Colorado .....	2
Illinois .....	13
Indiana .....	3
Iowa .....	4
Maine .....	21
Michigan .....	22
Minnesota .....	12
Missouri .....	2
New Hampshire .....	1
New Jersey .....	4
New York .....	11
North Dakota .....	2
South Dakota .....	1
Wisconsin .....	6
Total .....	106

## LITERBERRY

### Church Entertainment

A pleasing Christmas entertainment was given at Literberry Christian church Saturday evening. There was a large number present and the evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The program opened with a selection by the Literberry orchestra. Scripture reading was by Miss Anna-let Crum and prayer was offered by the Rev. C. G. Cantrall.

This was followed by the presentation of a play, "The Noble Outcast." All of the performers acquitted themselves with great credit.

There also was a Christmas tree. The presents were taken off the tree by the members of class No. 3. The names were called by Orville Petefish, J. F. Hitchens and W. H. Crum.

The presents were distributed by the members of Classes No. 2 and 4. After the entertainment and Christmas tree an oyster supper was served by the members of Class No. 5.

### WOODS' TRANSFER LINE

IS ON HAND.  
If you want to get out of the woods just take to the Woods, that is the Woods on East Court street.

Do you want baggage hauled or transferred? Do you want to be taken to or from a train? Do you want to take a fine ride in a taxi? Do you want a splendid ride in a swell limousine with warmed interior, reading, lights and all else to make life happy? Do you want to be taken to or from a party or into the country double quick? While J. W. Woods is wishing you a Merry Xmas he will take your order for these things.

MATHEIS, KAMM & SHIBE SAY  
They wish you happiness today  
And happiness through all the year  
Without a trouble or a fear  
May peace and plenty fill your board  
Abundance great may you afford  
And may you ever wisely choose  
To buy their finest boots and shoes.

### BEAUTIFUL COLORS

Are imparted to the goods dyed at Schoedsack's establishment. He cleans and dyes and wishes all a very happy time now and always.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkie Jones of Granite City are guests for Christmas at the home of Mr. Jones' parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Jones of North Fayette street.

Life is Thus  
The parents rear a winsome maid,  
Whose name, perhaps, is Rose, and feed her pies and marmalade, and buy her furbelows. They educate her year by year, with knowledge store her mind, altho the learning graft is dear and money hard to find. They hope that when they're old and gray, the damsel will be near, to show their dotard griefs away, and dry the night's tear. "She'll surely be our rod and staff," they say, "when we old wights are ready for the epitaph, and other last sad rites." But then the maid is seventeen, there comes along a guy, whose car burns up more gasoline than any man should buy. Oh, parents, cut but little grass, when that young man arrives, whose wagon, burning up the gas, puts joy in maidens' lives. Fair Rose is scorching up the road, and hitting hills on high, and in their silent, sad abode, the old folks sit and sigh. All broken are the hopes and plans, which in the years have grown; they know that they are also-rans, for youth must have its own. It is the saddest thing I know—the saddest man can find—when children from the homestead go, and never look behind.

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## LIGHT COMPANY AN IMPORTANT ENTERPRISE

Business Has Been Developed in a Progressive Way as Years Have Passed—Large Number of Employees and Large Property Investment.

The Jacksonville Railway & Light Company has been doing business in our city for a number of years and has well demonstrated its right to be called one of the very important enterprises of the place. Great progress has been made since the day the late Joseph O. King took charge to renovate and reconstruct the works. Now we light with both gas and electricity, cook with gas and some with electricity, heat our flatirons with electricity saving the uncomfortable heat of a hot fire in the summer. We toast our bread while we sit at the table and even we can discard the washboard from our homes when we have the electric washer and wringer.

Cordial Relations With Public

The company is a corporation but is desirous of treating every one right and appreciating that the confidence of the public is essential for success.

The street railway service has been improved by new cars and more are ordered and will be put in commission as soon as possible to get them here.

The new superintendent, Mr. E. H. Gray, has won an enviable place already in the esteem of the residents of the city and he has shown himself capable and fair. A happy arrangement has been accomplished whereby the company will proceed with improvements and it is earnestly hoped that all will go forward for the welfare of the people and the corporation.

Business Is Many-Sided

The company supplies coke for stoves and furnaces and many prefer it to any other kind of fuel on account of its cleanliness and freedom from dust. The electrical goods of the company, its gas stoves and many other articles are well worth examining. The company employs a large number of persons constantly, has a large property investment here and so ranks as one of the most important of Jacksonville enterprises.

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## Have You Joined Our Christmas Saving's Club?

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We Wish Our Friends

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An Abundance of Good Cheer  
thru All the Year.

## BRENNAN'S

South Sandy Street

## Scott's Theatre



We desire to thank those who have contributed to our success during the past year, and to wish all of our friends a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR. -:-

RUSSELL & THOMPSON

Our Store Open Monday Until Noon

## CITY AND COUNTY

W. D. Quigley of Springfield was an arrival in the city yesterday.

Miss Ruth Mellor of Murrayville is visiting Mrs. John Davis.

H. B. Dennis of Chambersburg is a Sunday visitor in the city.

James McWade of Olney is visiting friends in the city.

George Parker of Effingham was a Sunday visitor in the city.

Lee McGinnis of Ashland was a visitor in the city Saturday.

Scott Davenport of Alexander was a Sunday visitor in the city.

H. W. Lehorok of Quincy was a visitor yesterday with Jacksonville friends.

C. J. Wheeler of Scottville was one of the visitors in the city yesterday.

E. B. Chrisman of Merritt was one of the visitors with Jacksonville friends yesterday.

W. L. Andre of Bluffs was a visitor with some city friends yesterday.

C. V. Butler of Scottville was added to the list of city callers yesterday.

F. B. Johnston of Pearl was a transient guest in the city yesterday.

Miss Florence Marshall is spending Christmas with relatives in St. Louis. She expects to return Tuesday noon.

Miss Ruby Molohon and Miss Grace Wheeler of Jacksonville are visiting Mrs. A. W. Petefish.

Miss Pauline Dawson of Jacksonville is the guest of Mrs. Howard Litter.

Mrs. Annie C. Dickson came down from Springfield Sunday to spend Christmas at home.

D. P. Hollis of Macomb was the guest of friends in the city Sunday.

Arthur Kingsley arrived in the city Sunday from Detroit, Mich., to spend the holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Vasconcelos of Peoria are in the city for a holiday visit with relatives.

Miss Willella Miller has returned from a stay of several months in Texas.

Ben F. Lane is spending Christmas day at the home of his mother, Mrs. E. A. Lane of Riggsport.

Miss Frances Cox, children's librarian, is spending Christmas at her home in Sandwich, Ill.

P. A. Sturgis of Franklin was a business visitor in the city Saturday.

Miss Golda Ashury is a Christmas visitor at the home of relatives in Adair.

Henry Strawn of Alexander has returned from a brief Springfield visit.

Mrs. Swain Marshall and children of Boardtown are spending the holidays with relatives here.

Miss Laura Lane of Bloomington is visiting friends in the city for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Cogswell of Chicago are in the city for a few days visiting relatives and friends.

Edward Phillips has returned from a business trip to parts of Cass county.

James Ball has gone to Virginia where he has contracts to move several buildings.

Miss Anna Snyder is spending Christmas with her mother in Alexander.

Miss Louise Young has arrived in the city from Portland, Me., to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. R. J. Young of 513 West State street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Conover of Sangamon county are here for a Christmas visit at the home of Mrs. Conover's mother, Mrs. William Barr Brown.

Ralph Withee, who is superintending work for John Cherry in the northern part of the state, is here for a Christmas visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Woods are down from Chicago for a visit with Mr. Woods' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Woods, 844 West College avenue.

Joseph Frank of Enid, Okla., is in the city to visit his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Frank of North Fayette street.

Mrs. George Wackerle of Alexander has returned to her home after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. John Hall of Divernon.

Charles D. Hickey, operator for the M. K. & T. at Fort Scott, Kan., is spending a few days with relatives and friends in the city.

J. O. Monroe, of the Courier, will spend the first three or four days of the week visiting relatives near Mt. Vernon, Jefferson county, Ill.

Miss Jennie Carlson of Canton is spending Christmas at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Carlson.

L. E. Shelton of Roodhouse will spend Christmas with friends here.

J. H. Lipps of Quincy was a guest in the city Sunday.

Shoriff and Mrs. Grant Graft went to Springfield Sunday evening to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Graft.

Harrison Dickson who is in the employ of the Illinois Traction system with headquarters at Peoria is in the city to spend the holidays.

Miss Eva Hammond was expected home last night from Springfield, Mass., to enjoy the holidays. She should have arrived Saturday night but wired her sister, Miss Laura, from Erie, Penn., that the train was 24 hours late.

Miss Blanche Bray left Sunday morning for Grafton to make a holiday visit with friends. Miss Bray will make a second short visit in the city before resuming her duties as teacher of Harmony school, west of Ashland.

Thomas Ramsey who is in the employ of the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad at Huntington, W. Va., is visiting his parents in Murrayville.

Miss Pearl Smith and Miss Ella Delaney are here from Chicago for a Christmas visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Wiley and son, Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Six and daughter, Harriet and Mr. and Mrs. Noel Wiley and daughter Minnie of Alexander spent Sunday with Mrs. Slaughter of East College street.

**WEALTHY OIL MAN ANNOUNCES ENGAGEMENT**

A. T. Patrick, Sentenced to Die Three Times to Die in Sing Sing, Will Wed Daughter of Tulsa Oil Operator.

Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 24.—Albert T. Patrick, wealthy oil man, sentenced to die three times in Sing Sing prison on a murder charge, announced here today his engagement to Miss Mildred West, daughter of a Tulsa oil operator. Patrick was pardoned after a long fight made by his brother-in-law, John T. Milliken, St. Louis millionaire. Patrick was tried for the alleged murder of William Marsh Rice, millionaire founder of Rice Institute of Houston, Texas, who died in New York, Sept. 19, 1900. While in prison under sentence of death, Patrick was married. His wife died soon after his release.

Pardoned by Governor Dixon

New York, Dec. 24.—Albert T. Patrick, was pardoned by Governor Dixon, Nov. 28, 1912, after ten years in prison following his conviction for murder of William Marsh Rice, a Texas millionaire in this city. He was the chief beneficiary under the will of Rice. Sentenced to die three times the legal fight he made for freedom was one of the most remarkable in the criminal annals of the country.

When Patrick was convicted in March 1902, Mrs. Addie M. Francis, to whom he was engaged, proved her faith in him by marrying him in the Tombs prison in this city. She worked tirelessly from that time up till he was freed to interest prominent men in his behalf and her brother John T. Milliken of St. Louis spent a fortune to gain Patrick's liberty.

For ten years Mrs. Patrick lived within sight of the walls of Sing Sing that she might be near her husband and comfort him. The day after he was pardoned they began their long delayed honeymoon, going first to St. Louis and later to Tulsa. A year later the news came from Tulsa that Mrs. Patrick, worn out by years of nervous strain, was dying.

**CHARGED WITH USING THE MAIL TO DEFRAUD**

Springfield Man Involved With Federal Authorities as Result of Alleged Misrepresentation.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 24.—James M. Reeves is in jail here today after he is said to have confessed to United States authorities that he sent an answer to an advertisement for a lost father inserted in several magazines by Mrs. Fannie Delrick of Topeka, Kans., in which he is alleged to have misrepresented himself as the man sought and to have asked for money to defray expenses caused by illness. Reeves is held on a charge of using the mails to defraud.

Mrs. Reeves received Reeves' letter after hearing that her father died in Louisville, Ky.

**COMPANION OF LATE MRS. MCKINLEY DIES**

MT. VERNON, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Miss Ella Felicia Endsley, who was a constant companion of the late Mrs. William McKinley in the white house at Washington, died here today at the home of her niece, Mrs. Mabel McKinley Baer. She was sixty six years old. Her father, the Rev. Andrew Jackson Endsley, a Methodist minister performed the marriage ceremony of the late President and Mrs. McKinley. Miss Endsley was a sister-in-law of Abner McKinley and a cousin of Judge Jeremiah Black, who was secretary of state under President Buchanan.

**GRAND RAPIDS BISHOP VERY SERIOUSLY ILL**

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 24.—(Rev. Henry J. Richter, bishop of the Roman Catholic diocese of Grand Rapids was taken to a local hospital tonight suffering with pneumonia. So serious had his condition become at midnight that the last rites of the church were administered. Bishop Richter is 79 years old.

**TERRE HAUTE BOWLER ROLLS BIG SCORE**

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Dec. 24.—Edward Baker, a local bowler in a match today bowled three games for a total of 869 pins. In his first game he scored 280 and then followed with a perfect 300 duplicating his 300 mark of last year and closed with 289. A total of 29 consecutive strikes was made.

**JOLIET WINS AT SOCCER**

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Joliet went into the 32nd round of the National Soccer championship by defeating the Bricklayers today on a snow covered field.

**CHARLES MORGAN DIED SUNDAY AT WINCHESTER**

Deceased Had Been Ill Thru Long Period — Community Christmas Tree At Lyric Theater.

Winchester, Dec. 24.—Charles Morgan died at the home of his sister, Miss Anna Morgan, tonight at 9 o'clock. The deceased, who had lived in this vicinity for a long period, had been in poor health for more than a year. For several months past he failed steadily in strength and his death was not unexpected.

Sunday afternoon at the Lyric theater, Winchester children were given a rare treat in the form of a community Christmas tree. Every child in and below the seventh grade was invited and there was prepared a beautiful electrically lighted tree and each one received a gift. The members of the committee who planned the occasion wish to thank the many Winchester citizens, who with their donations of both time and money made the occasion one of so much pleasure to all.

Miss Bertha Neman arrived Saturday afternoon in Winchester for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. John Hawk of Merritt was a visitor in Winchester Saturday.

Herman Ysberg of Chicago, joined his wife in Winchester Saturday where they will spend the holidays with relatives.

Ray Wallace arrived Saturday night from St. Louis to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. John Coates left Saturday afternoon for St. Louis where they will spend the holidays with relatives.

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Eckman left Saturday night for Jacksonville and from there they will go to Decatur where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

James Wainwright arrived Sunday from Chicago. He will make a short visit here.

Harry Wallace is visiting in Jacksonville with his sister, Miss Frances Wallace.

Miss Emma Cohagen of Abingdon, Ill., arrived in Winchester Saturday for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Don Cohagen.

Mrs. Luther Wiley and Miss Mary Coultas entertained Saturday evening at the home of Miss Coultas. Members of the camping club were present and the affair was in the form of a jubilee. All members of the club were present with the exception of Misses Ruth and Margaret Priest, who were unable to be at home for Christmas.

Miss Ella Boylan arrived in Winchester Saturday for a Christmas visit with home folks.

George Colling and son left Sunday for Chapin where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

**FARMER BADLY FROZEN**

Clark Rose, a farmer residing in the vicinity of Sangamon Valley, Cass county, was nearly frozen last Thursday when he fell out of bed and lay on the floor for hours with no fire in the house. The man was found Friday morning in a serious condition, although he has some chance for recovery. Mr. Rose is supposed to have arrived home late Thursday night and although the thermometer registered about 9 below zero, retired without kindling a fire.

**WE CLOTHE THE MULTITUDE.**

With the best the market affords made up in the best manner and we wish you all the best things of the season and trust the times will treat you as well as we treat our customers.

A. Wehl.

**YOUR FEET WELL SHOD.**

Is what Jos. Burgert will do for you at his shoe store on the north side square. He tenders all the compliments of the season.

**OUR GOOD WISHES**

May Christmas time be one of unalloyed pleasure for our friends and the year of 1917 one of happiness is my wish.

J. A. Shadid.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

and

### Very Happy and Prosperous

### Coming New Year

We want to thank our customers and friends, one and all, for the many courtesies you have extended to us in the way of buying Dry Goods, Millinery, Etc., during the year 1916 now coming to a close. It will be our aim for the coming year to improve greatly over the past, giving our customers better service, better values, best styles American markets produce in all the lines we carry, at the lowest prices for each. If you have not been a customer of this store yet, start with the New Year. You will have no cause for regret. Again we thank you.

ALWAYS CASH

## Floreth Co.

ALWAYS CASH

## Automobile Washing

The high grade finish of your Auto can be ruined easily, if not washed with utmost care.

Our work guaranteed

## Cherry's Livery

Phones 850

## \$500,000 TO LOAN ON FARMS

I HAVE AN ARRANGEMENT WITH SEVERAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES TO MAKE LOANS ON FARM PROPERTY IN MORGAN AND ADJACENT COUNTIES. LOW RATE OF INTEREST WITH PRE-PAYMENT PRIVILEGES. IF YOU WANT MONEY, SEE ME.

JOEL W. HUBBLE

Bell Phone 852

Illinois Phone 50-1222

## Last Hour Remembrances

You may have forgotten the Christmas remembrance for some relative or friend.

Why not send a New Year's Card?

## Atherton's

East Side Square

May your Christmas Joys be many

and the

Coming Year One of

CONTINUOUS GOOD LUCK

and

PROSPERITY

Is Our Wish

## Modern Garage

Wheeler & Sorrells, Proprietors

## Special Line

of

## Christmas Candies

The best known brands in our extensive stock especially boxed for the holiday trade.

You make no mistake when you send candy.

## Peacock Inn

South Side Square

## Quilting

Quilts \$1.00 and \$1.50 per Quilt

Factory 302 1-2 East State Street.

Opposite Post Office.

## DIAMONDS

EDWARD. D. HEINL

## For Your Holiday Present

— Why Not Give —

## Something for the Car

We have something that will be undoubtedly appreciated, for instance a 30 x 3 1/2 Red Tube and one pair of 30 x 3 1/2 Non-Skid Chains for \$5.00, representing a value of \$6.50. Radiator and Hood Covers \$3.50 and up, Tire Gauges \$1.00, Spark Plugs 75c and up (special price on sets.)

## Jacksonville Automobile Co.

East State Street— Next To Postoffice.

## Hughett's Cash Market

## HOLIDAY SPECIALS

Elm City Flour	\$2.30
Mac's Best Flour	2.30
Minnesota Queen Flour	2.40
Zephyr Flour	2.65
25 lb. pocket Cane Sugar	1.95
Wardford Corn, per can	.12
Pride of Janesville, per can	.10
Elm City, per can	.10
2 cans No. 3 Tomatoes, Bunny Brand	.25
Jolly Brand Tomatoes, No. 2 can	.10
Comb Honey, 6 frames	1.00
Special Peaberry Coffee, 25c lb., 5 lbs.	1.10
Hughett's Hummer Baking Powder, no alum, 1 lb.	.22
Elm City Brand Rolled Oats, regular size	.9c
Family size	.23c
Lily Flake Crackers, ten cent size	.9c
Select Sodas, large size	.20c
Nice Grape Fruit, 6 for	.25c
White Bear Cleaner, 3 16 oz. cans	.10c
5 lb. sack Morton Table Salt	.8c

DRESSED POULTRY

Fresh and Salt Meats at Lowest Cash Prices

Illinois Phone 129

Bell Phone 747



## MRS. W. C. CALHOUN DIES THIS MORNING

Franklin Resident Passes away  
At Early Hour

Had Been Ill For Almost Eight  
Years—Entire Life Was Spent in  
Franklin Community

Mrs. W. C. Calhoun died at her home in Franklin Monday morning at 1 o'clock after an illness extending over a period of eight years. Deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Boulware and was born in Franklin 45 years ago. She was united in marriage Dec. 29, 1898 to W. C. Calhoun. The husband and the following children survive: Flora, Eloise, Kathleen and Byron Calhoun all residing at home. Mrs. Calhoun was a member of the Franklin M. E. church, having united during the pastorate of Rev. W. H. McGhee. Funeral arrangements have not been arranged.

## CHRISTMAS CARD AFFORDS ONLY CLUE

Identity of Man Who Sent Soldier  
Whiskey Remains a Mystery.

Deming, N. M., Dec. 24.—A Christmas card with the name "Shorty" on it was the only clue to the identity of the person who sent a bottle of poisoned whiskey to Private George Mosley, of Company M, second Arkansas infantry, encamped here, according to officers at the base hospital. Private Mosley died today and Sergeant Byron Montgomery of Company K of the same regiment was critically ill at the base hospital after taking a drink from the same bottle, according to officers here. The whiskey was received by Private Mosley as a Christmas gift yesterday. The dead soldier's wife has been living here.

## PERRITT CHARGED WITH ASSAULT ON MURDER

SHREVEPORT, La., Dec. 24.—Floyd Perritt, known in local circles as "Pol," is under \$2,500 bond at Arcadia, La., on a charge of assault to murder resulting from a difficulty today with Tom G. Brice, a farmer, 47 years old. Brice was brought to a hospital here tonight. It was said he had a fractured skull. No details of the difficulty have been learned.

## BRAZILIAN DERELICT HAS BEEN RECOVERED

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The Brazilian bark, Nephthis, a derelict at sea for the last week, has been recovered by the United States coast guard cutter Seneca and is being towed to New York according to a wireless message received here from the Seneca at noon today.

The Nephthis went adrift from a towing tug during a storm off the New Jersey coast about ten days ago. Her crew of twelve were picked up by a passing Trans-Atlantic steamship.

## OFFERED \$15,000 FOR FIGHT WITH GIBBONS

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 24.—A local prize fight promoter telegraphed tonight to Les Darcy, the Australian middle-weight now in New York an offer to fight Mike Gibbons here for \$15,000. Gibbons, it was stated, was ready to sign articles. One of the conditions is that the match is to be held during carnival week in February next.

## OHIO PAINTER DIES

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 24.—Henry F. Farney, aged 71, widely known author and painter died here late today in a hospital. Farney won worldwide recognition by his paintings of Indians.

## MAY NOMINATE LONG

Washington, Dec. 24.—Breckinridge Long of St. Louis probably will be nominated as secretary of state to succeed John E. Osborne, of Wyoming, who resigned recently. Mr. Long is a lawyer.

## VIOLATE CLOSING LAW

Chicago, Dec. 24.—The Christmas spirit induced thirty six saloonkeepers, bartenders and druggists to defy Mayor Thompson's "arrest on sight" order today and were arrested for violating the Sunday closing law.

## SIGN TREATY

London, Dec. 24.—Holland and Germany have signed a treaty providing for a supply to the latter of eggs, butter and fruit says a Central News despatch from Amsterdam.

## GAS PLANT EXPLOSION KILLS THREE PEOPLE

Three Others are Probably Fatally  
Injured and Ten More Hurt Near  
Kimballton, Iowa.

Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 24.—Three persons were killed, three probably fatally injured and ten others seriously injured when a gas plant in the home of John Faaborg near Kimballton, Iowa, exploded shortly before noon today.

The dead are:  
John Nelson, Kimballton, 45.  
Ida Faaborg, Kimballton, 16.  
Christiana Faaborg, Kimballton, 9.

Those fatally injured:  
Anna Faaborg, 17, daughter of John, both feet amputated, internally injured.  
Axel Faaborg, 22, both legs broken, badly burned.  
Mrs. Faaborg, 24, splinter of wood thrust thru lungs.

Seriously Injured.  
John Faaborg, 55, both legs broken.  
Mrs. John Faaborg, 44, both legs broken.

Anton Faaborg, arm broken, badly burned.  
Mrs. Anton Faaborg, badly burned and cut.

Otto Faaborg, 7, son of John, leg broken, one arm burned.  
Knut Faaborg, 13, son of Soren Faaborg, leg broken, one eye torn out.

Infant son of Anton Faaborg, 15 months, both arms broken.  
The Faaborg family had gathered a family reunion over the holidays. Two of the sons with their families having come from Nebraska.

## HAS BEEN FOR 27 MONTHS IN STATE OF LETHARGY

French Singer is Being Kept Alive  
By Administering of Liquid Food.

Bordeaux, Dec. 24.—The curious case of a singer, aged 31 years, who has been in a state of lethargy for 27 months has been described to the medical and surgical society by Professor Verger. The patient was among the troops mobilized for the battle of the Marne. He disappeared but was found shortly after in Brittany, since which time he has been sleeping with closed eyes, respiration regular, but pulse rapid. He is sensitive to excitement, says the description of the case given by Prof. Verger, such stimulation provoking a weak defense without, however, interrupting his sleep and it is possible to administer liquid food. Professor Verger concludes that the case is one of historical lethargy and that it is likely the man eventually will awake and resume his normal occupation.

## ST. LOUIS MERCHANT ACCIDENTALLY KILLED

Christmas Party Given By Henry  
Magerhans Has Fatal Ending.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 24.—Henry Magerhans, 56 years old, a merchant was shot and killed accidentally today by Harley Ogle, an employee. Magerhans gave a Christmas party for his employees at his home. He fired two revolvers to make his party a "real success" he said. Ogle obtained possession of one of the revolvers and Magerhans tried to take it away. The revolver was discharged, the bullet entering Magerhans' heart.

## KENTUCKY TROOPERS FIRE ON MEXICANS

Sniping Across Rio Grande By Mexicans  
Draws American Machine  
Gun Fire.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 24.—Annoyed by continual sniping by Mexicans across the Rio Grande, troops of the third Kentucky infantry tonight at 10:30 opened fire with a machine gun, firing about 200 shots. The shooting occurred at Hart's Hill, near the city limits of El Paso. There were no casualties on the American side nor was there any more shooting from the Mexican side after the fusillade from the Kentuckians.

## DEPARTMENT STORES TO ADOPT 8-HOUR DAY

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Four large department stores employing thousands of clerks announced today beginning Tuesday they would adopt a straight eight hour day, opening at 8:30 instead of 9 and continuing as usual until 5:30 with an hour lunch. The summer half holidays will be continued but in December the stores will remain open until 6 o'clock P. M.

## SWITZERLAND SUPPORTS WILSON'S PEACE APPEAL

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in them. The United States always has been among the most enthusiastic and foremost advocates of the idea of arbitration.

"As to the conclusion of peace itself, this must be done by the belligerents. I think I understand President Wilson all right if I say that he does not offer mediation for this point and that he only shows the interest which the United States, as well as other neutrals, naturally have to see peace restored. The president says that in this direction it would be of material advantage conditions could be communicated under which the belligerents consider it possible to make peace. As to these conditions I may point out one remarkable fact:

"All the belligerents have insisted that one of their most important aims is the protection of small neutral states."

"I don't want to re-open discussions of the past. I want to be as impartial as 'neutral' as it is possible to be in the present hour when I state what must be Germany's standpoint in this respect. All the belligerents agreed in words about this position of neutrals, but as to their actions, they have been less unanimous. I don't want to speak about Belgium at all. As I have already said, I don't want to speak of the past. But how about Greece, how about Roumania? Roumania has been dragged in the war virtually against her will by the entente. Of course, we recognize that Lloyd George in his last speech called the entente's action in Roumania's case a blunder, but that is small comfort. And then about Constantinople? M. Trepoff, the Russian premier a few days ago announced to the world that possession of this city had been promised to Russia in 1915. Does this not mean the partition of a state which cannot even be called small and which has assisted vitally during the present war?

"At all events from our standpoint we must insist that aggressive coalition of the great powers against one or several others with the intention of partition or conquest ought to be prevented."

Finally Baron Busche, asked to express his general opinion regarding the president's note said:

"I think I can state now that the president's note has been received with sympathy. This is certainly true in official circles."

"We shall know after a few days what will be the entente answer to our offer to enter into a conversation of negotiations or a conference in which the belligerents can outline and communicate their conditions. This, I understand, also is President Wilson's opinion and we shall know whether the entente will avoid answering this our question as according to the latest utterance of entente statesmen may seem possible or whether things will take a different course."

## Delivered to Japanese

Tokio, Japan, Saturday, Dec. 23.—President Wilson's note to the belligerent powers has been delivered to the Japanese government. The note has aroused extraordinary interest. The general view of it taken by the press is that, while it is not connected with the German peace proposal it is not unreasonable to suppose the two may eventually be joined and lead to peace negotiations. The opinion is voiced that Japan and her allies will reply to President Wilson in the spirit of his ideas, but it is commented that they entered the war "in the robe of peace," and that the efforts to "overthrow German militarism" are based upon a desire to solidify permanent world peace.

## Said Principal Topic in Press

Paris, Saturday, Dec. 23.—President Wilson's note is still the principal topic in the press, stress being laid in the comment on its coincidence with the period of deliberation by the allies on Germany's offer to negotiate. Most of the editorial writers insist also upon the precedent established by Secretary Seward of President Lincoln's cabinet in rejecting the intervention of Napoleon III during the American Civil War.

The Journal Des Debats publishes in its entirety secretary Seward's despatch to the French foreign minister on February 6th, 1863, in rejection of the French proffer of mediation between the north and south. "The eminent jurist," says La Liberté, "is ignorant of nothing in precedents." President Wilson certainly has not forgotten President Lincoln's reply to the overtures by France to terminate the war of secession. President Wilson cannot expect any other reply from France.

Referring to the ambiguity of the note, the newspaper says:

"But Mr. Wilson probably did not intend to compare the executioners with the victims. The very day the note was delivered in Paris, Ambassador Sharp returned from Rheims where fifty big shells fired the evening before into the unfortunate city recalled the neighborhood of the slayers of civilians and the demolishers of cathedrals, while at the same time despatches informed us that the deportations and shootings of Belgians continue in spite of the protestations of Cardinal Mercier, a great prelate who might well find an echo among great humanitarians such as President Wilson."

"What is the most striking in the note," adds La Liberté, "is the coincidence of its publication with the delivery of the German note. We have no intention to suspect his word when he declares he did not in any way seek to support the German offer, but it is so necessary to put them into close comparison that it will be difficult to divert pre-occupation upon this point."

In the Petit Parisien tomorrow Etienne Grousselle will say:

"The criminal intent of Germany to reduce Europe to servitude failed lamentably on the Marne yesterday; at Verdun she is falling exhausted by her furious onslaughts and sees herself on the point of choking under

the implacable grip of the allies. What she requires now is to obtain at the cost of no matter what promise a release from the stranglehold—time to breathe, after which by internal activity her genius and warlike industry would regain superiority in armament to enable her in the near future to realize under better assured conditions, the rapid operation of her sinister carnage."

"How can one admit that the government of the great American republic founded on respect for law and liberty, could consciously lend itself in any way, as any measure, to a machination, the consequences of which would be so disastrous?"

## From Rome Correspondent.

Paris, Dec. 23.—The Rome correspondent of the Havas News Agency sends the following comment on the note of President Wilson from the newspaper Messagerio.

"The American note will not change the course of events if it is no more than the pious and noble desire for peace shared by the powers of the entente which did not impose but have submitted to the war let loose by the central empires. That which the quadruple alliance desires is not a mystery. England asks the re-entrance of Germany within Germany's own boundaries, respect for oppressed nationalities, regard for international agreements and equitable damages for the ruin wrought. France has placed openly upon the carpet the recovery of Alsace and Lorraine. Italy, in the same manner has defined her rights to the Irredentist territories on the other side of the sea, which are essential to tranquil life on the Adriatic. Russia wishes to be no longer suffocated in the Black Sea. The straits belong to her. Serbia, likewise, must have her territories and a free outlet. Roumania must rescue her sons suffering under the Magyar yoke."

## Draws Torrent of Criticism.

Petrograd, Dec. 24.—Via London.—President Wilson's note has called forth from the Russian press and from the nation itself as far as can be judged from its effect in official and political circles in Petrograd, a torrent of criticism, partly tolerant and partly sharply adverse but for the most part maintaining a tone of polite, amiable rejection.

The Associated Press has been informed that the Russian government received the note in the spirit of friendliness in which it was offered, but while appreciating the humanitarian motives which prompted it will find it impossible at present to suggest any terms which could guarantee a durable peace.

All the newspapers comment on what is termed the inopportune moment chosen for peace mediation and express regret that the favorable impression caused by the American government's refusal to make recommendations in connection with Germany's proposals should now be effaced by proposals of its own.

Prominent members of the Duma and all the political leaders from whom an expression of opinion could be obtained concerning the note were united in the conviction that the American peace suggestions were ill-timed and impracticable.

## Opinions Much Divided.

Vienna, Dec. 23.—Via London.—Newspaper opinion in Vienna and Budapest is much divided on the note of President Wilson, expressions range for a hope that the step will be successful to charges that the president has designs against the central powers. The Neue Freie Presse is the chief exponent of the former point of view.

Nearly all the papers doubt whether President Wilson's effort will result in peace. They say President Wilson's lost his opportunity as a peace maker by waiting until the central empires made their offer and that the ending of the war is a matter adjustable between the belligerents. Even those papers that discuss the Wilson note in a friendly manner take occasion to assert the Teutonic nations cannot accept a peace forced upon them by the United States.

Secretary Lansing's statement is regarded by the press as ambiguous. They see in it a threat to the central states that unless they are willing to accept terms inspired by President Wilson the United States will join the entente. In official circles it was stated that the note was being studied.

## HERE'S TO OUR FRIENDS

The past year has been very satisfactory to us in a business way and we take this method of expressing our appreciation and wishing all our friends a bright and cheerful Christmas and continued prosperity thru 1917.

Jacksonville Creamery Co.

## TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

We extend the heartiest compliments of the season and our good wish for an abundance of Christmas cheer and the greatest happiness throughout the coming year.

Barr's Laundry.

## OUR GOOD WISHES

With best wishes, for your prosperity and success during the coming year, we extend to you the greetings of the season.

Walsh Electric Co.

## THE BIRTH RECORD.

Word has been received of the arrival of a daughter to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Rector of Vandalia, Mo. Mrs. Rector was formerly Miss Grace Ruyle of Asbury neighborhood.

## TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

With many thanks for the generous patronage given us during the past year we now express our most cordial good wishes to our friends, hoping that their Christmas day may be bright and their prosperity in 1917 continuous.

Batz Cafe.

## BEAUTIFUL MILLINERY

PLEASES, as is always the case with the millinery of L. C. & R. E. Henry, opera house block. We close all today and wish everybody a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## Wish you one and all a Merry Xmas

Our store will be closed all  
day Christmas

T. M. Tomlinson

## A MERRY CHRISTMAS

To You and Yours  
and  
During Nineteen Seventeen  
the fulfillment of all  
your expectations  
is our earnest  
wish.

GRAHAM HARDWARE COMPANY

## MORTUARY

Waffle.

Mrs. Verla Belle Waffle wife of Frank Waffle died at her home on South Mauvaisterre street Sunday night at 11 o'clock after an illness of several months. She was born in the state of Missouri, Oct. 22, 1893. Her husband and son Earl D. Waffle survive. One brother, Dennis Mason, also survives. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

## OUR GREETINGS

This Christmas morning we wish to extend our sincere thanks to many patrons for the courtesies shown us during the past year. We extend to all our heartiest good wishes for a merry Christmas and happiness throughout the coming year.

Illinois Tire & Vulcanizing Co.

## WITH THE SICK

J. M. DeFrates is ill at his home on North Diamond street.  
Mrs. D. C. McCoy is ill with la-grippe at her home, 124 Westminster street.

## XMAS AND 1917

For all our friends and patrons today we have the kindest thoughts and good wishes for their Christmas cheer and their happiness and welfare throughout all the days to come.

G. A. Faugust.

## STUDENT CONSULAR COURT

New York, Dec. 24.—A court to fit men for consular and diplomatic appointments soon will be inaugurated at New York University it was announced tonight. Present plans call for a curriculum including international law.

## EMPEROR WILLIAM'S CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

LONDON, Dec. 25.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Amsterdam says Emperor William has sent the following Christmas greetings to all the German armies and to Germans at home:

"Honor to God above, peace on earth and to man happiness. God bless the third war Christmas of all those away in the field and of those at home in our dear fatherland."

(Signed) "William."

## VETERAN EDITOR DIES

Toronto, Dec. 24.—James Hadley, editor of the Monetary Times from 1877 to 1906 and who was one of the pioneers telegraphers of Canada, died last evening at his home here in his 76th year.

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## TO MY PATRONS AND FRIENDS

I feel that the year 1916 should not pass without some expression of gratification over the cordial relations existing between us and I desire to convey the Season's Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Happy New Year—and may the spirit of the Christmas season radiate through all your days of Nineteen Seventeen.



Health  
Happiness

Prosperity  
Good Will

Gano  
Apples  
30c Peck  
Zell's Grocery  
East State St.



## The Ayers National Bank's Christmas Savings Club

Opened

Monday, Dec. 18, 1916

You are invited to enroll and get enough money to pay your expenses next Christmas

By Making Small Deposits Weekly

CHILDREN as well as ADULTS will be enrolled

Ask Us for Full Particulars

The Ayers National Bank

## 25c Grab Sale

Our 12th Annual  
GRAB SALE STARTS AT  
9 o'clock Thursday morn-  
ing, December 28th and  
continues until all our hol-  
iday stock is gone.

Twenty-five cents may  
get you the large \$15.00  
White Ivory Set. Guar-  
anteed twenty-five cents  
worth or more to every  
quarter you spend.

TRY IT!

Armstrong's  
Drug Stores

The Quality Stores  
N. W. Corner Square  
285 E. State St.

## Coal Service Unexcelled

We carry constantly in  
stock the best grades of  
Jarterville and Springfield  
coal.

All sizes Hard Coal  
also.

Prompt and careful de-  
livery.

SNYDER  
Ice & Fuel Co.

Phones 204



## AN ECONOMY SUGGESTION

Give last winter's hat  
more wear. We make  
old hats look like new.

JOHN CARL  
Jacksonville Shining  
Parlor  
North Side Square

## CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS GIVEN IN MANY CHURCHES

Special Observances Were of Kind to  
Impress Meaning of Great Anni-  
versary and Spread Abroad Good  
Cheer.

Special church and Sunday school  
observances of Christmas were near-  
ly concluded in Jacksonville and  
Morgan county Sunday, altho in a  
few instances programs will be given  
today. In some of the churches the  
programs yesterday were carried out  
at the usual morning Sunday school  
hour. In other instances there were  
afternoon entertainments and still  
others at night. The entertainments  
were uniformly well attended and  
successful.

### At Salem Lutheran Church.

The program as previously pub-  
lished was given at Salem Lutheran  
church Sunday night under the direc-  
tion of Rev. J. G. Kuppler. The  
children figured most largely in the  
exercises which concluded with a  
beautiful tree. There were gifts for  
all and a collection was taken for  
the Lutheran orphan's home. The  
tree, which was at the left side of  
the pulpit, was very beautifully de-  
corated and about the church audi-  
torium there were Christmas hang-  
ings.

### Murrayville M. E. Church

An interesting program was given  
at Murrayville M. E. church Sunday  
evening which was participated in by  
the children of the Sunday school.  
The program was heard by a large  
number and was as follows:

Hymn, Christmas Night—Congre-  
gation.

Prayer—Rev. W. H. McGhee.

Hymn, Holy Night—Congregation.

Welcome address—John Edward

Wright.

Song—Margaret Short.

Recitation—Welcome to Christmas

Day—Paul S. Osborne.

Scripture Reading—Mrs. Han-

back's class.

Song, Little Sunbeams—Primary

department.

Recitation—Russell Cox.

Bible reading—Mr. Fanning's

class.

Male quartet—Mr. Cunningham's

class.

Song, The Holy City—Mrs. Short

illustrated by the members of her

class.

Exercise, The Other Wise Man, il-

lustrated in costume by Miss Besse

Hart and class.

Tableau, Representing the Child

Jesus with shepherds standing about

in worship.

Distribution of presents to the

school.

### Woodson Christian Church

Appropriate exercises were carried

out in Woodson Christian church

Sunday evening. The entertainment

was White Gifts to the King in

which the children of the Sunday

school participated. An admission

fee of one potato was charged at the

door and there was a large gathering

present. The program follows:

Chimes—Mabel McCurley.

Instrumental solo—Claribel Mez-

ginsin.

Recitation—Paul Jones.

Prayer—Rev. Mr. Oldham.

Vocal solo—Mrs. Oldham.

Duet—Mabel and Stella McCurley.

Song, It Came Upon a Midnight

Clear—School.

Recitation—Willie Crain.

Recitation—Orville Henry.

Recitation—Mabel Henry.

Vocal solo—Stella McCurley.

Dialog—Harold and Carl Sooy.

Song—Frances Kehl.

Dialog—By four boys.

Love Song—School.

Recitation—Bernice Henry.

Scripture reading—N. H. Crain.

Song, Silent Night, Holy Night—

School.

Recitation—Harold Sooy.

Following the program there was

a Christmas tree and all the child-

ren received presents. These were

distributed by Russell McAllister,

Raymond Whitlock, Willie Obert,

Floyd Fitzsimmons, Noah Obert and

Randolph Kehl.

### At Centenary Church.

A splendid program was given at

Centenary church Sunday morning.

The program was furnished by the

primary department in charge of

Mrs. Walter Rabjohn and the junior

and intermediate departments in

charge of Miss Florence Fox and

Mrs. T. H. Buckthorpe.

The exercises were held in the

Sunday school room which had been

beautifully decorated for the occa-

sion by Mrs. Naylor's class and oth-

ers. Following the program the

members of the primary department

were given a treat. The program:

Music—Orchestra.

Songs—Ring out the Bells for

Christmas; Silent Night—School.

Prayer.

Music—Orchestra.

Recitation—Welcome Christmas

Lowell Mikesell, Phillip Todd,

Benford Kehner.

Recitation—Why Christ Came By

—Virginia Godfrey.

Recitation—Ruth Ledford.

Recitation—Christmas Greetings

—Ruth Rawlings.

Recitation—Verne Fiedler.

Song—Secret—Dorothy Fiedler.

Recitation—Safety Trouble—Mar-

garet Neal.

Recitation—A Question—Lella

Dorothy Ivendel.

Song—Duet—Russel Schildman

and Walter McDougal, and chorus of

boys.

March—Twelve boys and girls.

Music—Orchestra.

Song—There's a Song in the Air—

Katherine Rapp.

Recitation—Kris Kringle—Arthur

Bergstrom.

Recitation—Christmas Time—Lu-

cile Riggs.

Piano Duet—Ruth Wilkinson and

Nora Ensley.

Recitation—The Two Fir Trees—

Henry Boston.

Recitation—George Hobbs.

Recitation—Paul Whitley.

Recitation—Sybil Chism.

Recitation—The Grand Santa

Claus—Grace Holcher.

Recitation—Always Christmas—

Pearl La Master.

Recitation—In Bethlehem—Ada

Council.

Dialogue—The Wiser Way—Lee

Baldwin and Arthur Bergstrom.

Recitation—Mothers Christmas

Gift—May Roberts.

The Christmas Crazy Class—Hel-

en Bergstrom as teacher and Elsie

Cannon, Mayda Todd, Sybil Chism,

Dorothy Cowgur, Isabelle Babjohn,

Helen Rawlings, members of the

class.

Song—Primary School.

State Street Church.

The Christmas program at State

Street church last evening attracted

a large audience and every one was

delighted with the entertainment. It

was a "White Gifts to the King" pro-

gram and all was in keeping. A large

platform was erected in front of the

organ and handsomely draped in

white, a white draped candle, a

conspicuous white a beautifully or-

namented tree stood on the platform.

Sunday school superintendent, T.

M. Tomlinson, presided and an-

nounced the numbers. It was essen-

tially a giving affair and instead of

receiving presents the members of

the school brought gifts draped in

white or in white baskets and de-

posited them on the platform. Some

of the classes gave money for various

good causes while others brought

gifts for the worthy poor of the city.

The songs and recitations were in

keeping with the occasion and were

given as already published in the

Journal.

The school has surely tasted the

sweets of giving which the Master

has said is more blessed than receiv-

ing.

### Christmas Eve At Boston.

Boston, Dec. 24.—Bands of sing-

ers trooped thru the streets tonight

singing Christmas carols. On Bea-

con Hill and in the suburbs in ac-

cordance with an old custom the mu-

sicians were greeted with the glow

of innumerable candles with which

the residents marked the arrival of

Christmas Eve.

On the Common a great Christmas

tree was brilliantly lighted while in

the Parkman bands gave a concert.

Rarely before at the Christmas

season have the city's poor fared so

well. In some districts patrolmen

took the names of the needy families

and at each of these houses a bag of

provisions was left thru the gener-

osity of a citizen whose identity is

known only to the police department.

For some coal in half ton lots was

left.

### Busch Host To Children.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 24.—August

A. Busch was host today to 8,000

children, many of them orphans,

when the latter gathered at a big

downtown Christmas tree celebra-

tion. When the festivities seemed

nearing a close, the Hotel Jefferson

invited all to have a cup of chocolate

and cookies. Each orphan received

a sweater and cap from Busch.

David R. Francis, ambassador to

Russia, gave sixty acres of land, val-

ued at \$60,000 to the city for park

and playground purposes.

### Westminster.

The Christmas entertainment for

Westminster church took place Sun-

day afternoon at 4 o'clock. Follow-

ing a custom established in the

church several years ago it was a

giving Christmas and instead of gifts

for the members of the Sunday

school, each class brought contribu-

tions of food or clothing which to-

day will be placed in baskets and

distributed to needy families. "White

Gifts for the King" was presented by

several members of the Sunday

school and was most excellently done.

Miss Anne Stevenson appeared as

the spirit of Christmas, Miss Hollis

Rieman as Conscience and Miss Alice

Gunn as Wisdom. Then came Miss

Laura Smith as Pilgrim. The theme

presented Pilgrim in the search of

a lasting gift for the king. Pleas-

ure, Vanity, Idleness, Wealth, Wis-

dom, Pride, Greed, Fame, Envy and

Ambition all made their pleas, but

Pilgrim, listening to the words of

Conscience and of Wisdom, chose the

cross which carried with it Self, Ser-

vice and Substance. When Miss

Smith as Pilgrim had chosen this

better part, the cross was placed in

her arms and as she sang verses of

a well known hymn, Love's messen-

gers, personified by little children

from Sunday school, clasped hands



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### HEBRON SCHOOL STANDS ON HISTORIC GROUND

Beautiful Site was Chosen Many Years Ago—C. F. Ausmus Is Instructor.

Morgan county has much historic ground, and none more so than that in the vicinity of Hebron—exception, of course, the county seat. There it is that the celebrated camp ground was situated at an early date; there it is that now is rising in beautiful proportions, a comely church in which the devout may worship their Creator. Hebron is the name chosen for that holy place, and Hebron is the name applied to the school a quarter of a mile beyond.

Here again some enterprising, far sighted individuals, with an eye to the welfare and prosperity of future generations, selected a site for a school house which seems to leave nothing to be desired. An ample sized lot ornamented with noble shade trees does one good as he looks at it. Perhaps the writer lays too much stress on this feature of a school plant but if he does he has a great many people who agree with him.

The directors, Messrs. L. L. Hart, L. J. Stewart and R. W. Robinson, didn't set out these trees for the school but they are keeping it up and doing honor to the memory of the men who chose the site and it is probable that the trees are natural forest growth. The instructor here is a gentleman, Prof. C. F. Ausmus, and he takes a justifiable pride in his pupils and all that pertains to the establishment. He too may point to portraits of Lincoln and Washington conspicuous on the walls, while his school house is well stocked with appliances and a liberal sized vestibule. He has maps and charts, a small library and dictionary with reference encyclopedia and while some of the seats and desks are in bad condition, new ones have been bought and will soon be in place. A modern heating plant supplies warmth and ventilation, and the pupils are comfortable and seem well contented.

Not long since the writer enjoyed a visit with that school and was truly pleased to see the things mentioned above. When pupils have such a fine playground, can look up on the wall and see pictures of the men who did so much for their land; when they can turn to the library for dictionary and encyclopedia the result cannot fail to be of advantage.

Some advanced work is also being done in this school and the pupils take pride in their work as well they may. Prof. Ausmus is a veteran instructor and many young persons in this county can remember him with pleasure and gratitude when they think of what they acquired under his instruction.

At the close of the visitor's talk he asked for questions and a number of pupils responded. This is always a pleasing feature of a visit and the speaker told the young people he would rank them with the boys and girls of the Point. The pupils are:

Girls—May Andrews, Dora Ausmus, Bernice Carpenter, Mary Louise Fox, Ethel Colston, Emma Colston, Freda Gates, Alta Gates, Garrita Hodgson, Ruth Miles, Essie Roach, Genevieve Shafer, Lorene Stewart, Marguerite Wain, Lorretta Stice and Mabelle Robinson.

Boys—Cecil Carpenter, Donald Carpenter, Jason Fox, Willie Colston, Harrison Hart, Troy Roach, Albert Roach, Marshall Roach, Chester Stewart, Russell Stewart, Ted Stice, Charley Stice, Harvey McDaniel, Eugene Wain, Clifford Quillin, Arthur Quillin.

Five pupils doing 9th year work: Dora Ausmus, Genevieve Shafer, Essie Roach, Lorene Stewart, Mabelle Robinson.

**DON'T FAIL**  
Don't fail to see the Hudson Super 6 on the Pike's Peak hill climb at Scott's theater, Dec. 27th, day and evening.  
**R. T. CASSELL.**

**EMPLOYEES WILL RECEIVE CHRISTMAS PRESENT**  
Local employees of the Chicago & Alton railroad received word from Superintendent S. P. Henderson of Bloomington yesterday that the president of the Chicago & Alton system, Mr. Bied, had notified him that all clerks of the road would receive \$15 as a Christmas remembrance.

There are about 1,000 clerks in the employ of the system and an appropriation of \$15,000 was set aside for this purpose. The action on the part of the president was inspired by the fact that the clerks of the system are the poorest paid of the employees. The present will be added to the employees checks which will be received about Jan. 15, 1917. The management of the road also made the pay checks of the clerks for December so that they reached the recipients December 23 instead of Dec. 28, thus giving them their salaries before Christmas.

**Potted Plants today at Heint's.**

**REUNION AT SARGENT HOME.**  
Yesterday the venerable Mrs. John Sargent residing a few miles west of the city enjoyed a reunion of her children and grandchildren and the day was spent in the most happy manner. Songs were sung, old times discussed and a general good time enjoyed by all, the dear old lady fully entering into the spirit of the occasion. Though nearly four score and ten she is still in the possession of her faculties to a wonderful degree and enjoys life remarkably well and is tenderly cared for by loved ones.

Those present in addition to those at home, Mrs. Ernest Jones of Pisgah, Mrs. Phil Cleary, daughters and families, and George W. Sargent and family of this city.

H. L. Smith of Sinclair spent a part of yesterday in the city.

**SHIPPED CATTLE.**  
T. S. Knoles loaded a car of fat cattle for Chicago yesterday.

### LONG TIME COUNTY RESIDENT DIED SUNDAY

Mrs. Susan Angel Passed Away At Home of Daughter in Moweaqua—Funeral At Ebenezer Church Tuesday Afternoon.

Mrs. Susan Angel, widow of the late John Angel, died at 4:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hardin Jordan in Moweaqua. Mrs. Angel suffered a fall last summer while visiting her son in Decatur and was confined to a hospital in that city. After recovery she remained for a time at the home of her son and then went to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jordan in Moweaqua to spend the winter. A week ago Sunday she contracted a heavy cold which developed into pneumonia which caused her death.

Susan Smith was the daughter of John and Mary Smith and was born in Hickman county, Tenn., May 19, 1827. She came to this state with her parents at the age of ten years. The family settled first on a farm near Arenzville. Later they moved to the Ebenezer neighborhood where they resided until 25 years ago when they moved to Jacksonville.

Married in 1844. She was united in marriage Jan. 4, 1844, to John Angel. Her husband and four children preceded her in death. The following survive: Mrs. M. E. Cully and Mrs. S. W. Black of this city, Mrs. C. W. Martin and George Angel residing north of the city, Thomas Angel of Los Angeles, Calif., J. W. Angel of Decatur, Mrs. Hardin Jordan of Moweaqua, Mrs. M. A. Foster of Bloomington and Edward Angel of St. Louis. The deceased leaves one sister, Mrs. Louis Yeck, Concord; two brothers, John Smith, Merona, and Joseph Smith, Kansas. There also are a number of grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren surviving.

Early in life Mrs. Angel and her husband united with the Cumberland Presbyterian church. When they moved to the Ebenezer neighborhood they united with the Ebenezer M. E. church where they held membership for 35 years. Upon removal to Jacksonville 25 years ago they placed their membership in Centenary church where Mrs. Angel held her membership at the time of death.

Mrs. Angel's life was a beautiful example of Christian living. She was for years a teacher in the Sunday school of Ebenezer church and was a member of the Missionary society. Upon becoming a member of Centenary church she took an active part in the work of that church where she was a faithful member of the Missionary society.

Thru all the years of her fruitful life Mrs. Angel devoted herself to the work of humanity. Wherever there was sickness or distress she was always one of the first to respond. She was beloved by all who knew her and her going will bring sorrow to many hearts.

**Funeral Tuesday.**  
The remains will arrive over the Wabash this afternoon at 5:11 o'clock and will be taken to the residence of her daughter, Mrs. S. W. Black, 826 West College avenue. Friends wishing to view the remains may do so by calling at the residence. Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Ebenezer church with burial in the family lot in Ebenezer cemetery.

**HE IS IN THE SADDLE**  
The man who bought a harness, saddle and bridle, trunk, hand bag and any kind of leather goods of George Harney, West Morgan street. His best wishes for your happiness and welfare.

**WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY.**  
Both of Coover & Shreve's drug stores will be closed all day today.

**OUR BELOVED HOMES.**  
Would be impossible without such firms as that of the Andrews Lumber company which sends to everybody best wishes for a happy holiday.

**FRANKLIN INDEPENDENTS WILL OPEN SEASON**  
The Franklin Independents basketball five will open its season this week. Carlville will open the season Monday night. The Virginia quintet will play Friday night. Both of the teams are said to be fast and good games are looked for.

The Independents have for a number of years been considered one of the strongest basketball teams in central part of the state. Last year they had a good season and won the majority of their games. They expect to have games every week during the winter and hopes to surpass their record of last year. Walter Teaney, one of the star players of the team, has been traveling in Indiana. He is home to spend the winter and will again be in the Franklin lineup.

**BE GAY AND HAPPY**  
And be sure to go to Gay's Hardware Store just south of the southwest corner of the square. There you will receive the hearty good wishes of Mr. Gay for your happiness and welfare, and be treated right away.

Frank Robinson who is employed as instructor in Lincoln, is home for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Robinson on North Main street.

**A THRIVING HOUSE**  
Is that of the Jenkinson-Bode Co., wholesale grocers. They make a polite bow to the citizens of this region with the hearty compliments of the season, wishing everybody the best of the land.

Paul Johnston of White Hall was one of the city's guests yesterday.

### VIRGINIA RESIDENCE DESTROYED BY FIRE

Work of Incendiary is the Belief—Funeral of Mrs. Sarah Baker Held—Cass County News Notes.

Virginia, Illinois, December 24.—A marriage license was issued yesterday to Mr. Wade Hurley of Tallula and Miss Docia Cox of this city. John Rumble shipped a car load of cattle to St. Louis Wednesday and R. E. Widmayer two loads of hogs. The house occupied by Thomas Malicote and family and owned by C. F. Carlson on Sylvan avenue was destroyed by fire recently. The fire was of incendiary origin and family escaped in their night clothes only a few articles were saved. Mr. Malicote carried no insurance. A fire of similar origin occurred there about a year ago, but was discovered in time to prevent much damage. The fire department also made a run to the home of Mr. Faver Wilson, this morning but the fire was extinguished before its arrival. The damage was slight.

Mrs. Chas. Thompson is ill at her home in Grand Villa, her daughter, Mrs. Jephtha Armstrong of Chandler-ville spent several days this week at her bedside.

Eldon Smith who was removed to a Springfield hospital Sunday is reported as improving since operated on.

Mr. Frank Reding was a Tuesday visitor in Tallula.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Krone returned Tuesday from a visit with relatives in Nebo, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Shirrel are the parents of twin daughters, born Monday.

J. W. McIntire moved into his new residence Tuesday. The Hoffstetter property vacated by him is now occupied by said Daniels.

Mrs. Mildred Carr was a Tuesday guest at the J. W. Garner home, while enroute to her home in Chandler-ville from a visit with relatives in Edinburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis McNeely are in Chandler-ville today attending the funeral of the latter's mother, Mrs. Sarah Baker who died at Peoria on Tuesday. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Cartwright of the Christian church, interment in the village cemetery.

Mrs. Ed Palmer and son, Wm., of Springfield was a guest of the Curtis McNeely home this week.

Emil Steller who is a student at Millikin university at Decatur is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Taylor and daughter Marie of Taylorville will arrive today to spend the winter in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Higginson and family left his week for Citronelle, Ala., to spend the winter.

Mr. James Maslin of this city and Mr. Alf Campbell of Ashland left for a visit with Mr. Geo. Cosner of Welsh, La.

Mrs. Arthur Smith was brought home from a Springfield hospital today in an unimproved condition.

**Potted Plants today at Heint's.**

**FAMILY REUNION.**  
Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Lippincott are enjoying a very delightful reunion of children and grandchildren. Their oldest, Mrs. Alice Stone of Arizona, in the vicinity of Phoenix, is here with her two sons aged about eleven and thirteen respectively; Prof. Wm. and wife are from Manhattan, Kansas, with their two children and Mrs. Lucia Smith and little daughter are here from Montana. It is needless to add that the gathering is indeed greatly enjoyed by all.

### FINE PROGRAMS IN SCHOOLS AT BLUFFS

All Grades Had Yule Tide Observances—News Notes of Bluffs.

Bluffs, Illinois, December 24, 1916.—The past week has been red letter week for the pupils of the school. The lighting system was completed Thursday and in the evening the principal and high school teachers gave a reception for the high school pupils. A program was given and refreshments of cream and cake were served. All of the rooms were tastefully decorated in Christmas colors with drawings, and cut out pictures.

The lower grades, under the leadership of Misses Amy Martin and Beulah Hatfield gave an entertainment Friday afternoon and in due season Santa Claus arrived with his pack—a "grab bag" and each pupil was permitted to take one package from the bag. The packages were furnished by the pupils as it is a violation of the rules of the school for the teachers to "treat" as once was the custom. Mrs. Marie Hale and Miss Rena Pond gave a reception to their pupils and served refreshments of cream and cake with after dinner mints.

The other grades also observed the approaching Yule Tide with appropriate exercises. The school closed Friday to re-open Tuesday, January 2nd and the teachers left in the evening to spend the holidays at their respective homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Reid will spend Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Reid of Springfield.

Chris Meyers of New York City is a guest of relatives in the vicinity of Neelys.

Miss Margaret Finney is the guest of Miss Bess Sawyers in Decatur.

Miss Margaret Forney of Geneva, arrived the first of the week to spend the holidays with friends.

Mrs. J. P. Gardner who has been visiting in Elizabethtown, Ky., for the past two weeks returned home.

Mrs. James Bingham was called to Baylis the first of the week by the serious illness of her brother, George Fitzpatrick who is suffering from tetanus caused by a fall in which his cheek was injured.

Mrs. Frank Ashley and daughter, Miss Winifred left Friday for several days' visit and to attend a party at the Leland hotel.

The McMillon boys of St. Louis, Mo., will spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCullum.

**WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY.**

Both of Coover & Shreve's drug stores will be closed all day today.

**INTOXICATED MEN ON BURLINGTON TRAIN**

Saturday afternoon Chief Davis received word to meet the south Burlington train and take charge of several intoxicated men. The train was about six hours late and arrived here about 7 o'clock. The police met the train and took Frank Evans, Edward Henry and Harry Large to the police station. The men were placed under arrest by the conductor of the train and charges will be preferred against them by the Burlington officials.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Fairbank expect to enjoy today with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robertson at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robertson's daughter, Mrs. Andrew Harris and family east of the city.

**SHIPPED CATTLE.**  
T. S. Knoles loaded a car of fat cattle for Chicago yesterday.

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**COLORED MAN SHOT IN QUARREL WITH FRIEND**

Howard Johnson is Patient at Passavant Hospital as Result of Early Sunday Morning Shooting Affray

Howard Johnson is at Passavant hospital with a bullet wound in the right shoulder and the police are looking for McKinley Shaw who is said to have done the shooting. The trouble occurred early Sunday morning at the residence of Hudson Wallace, 697 South West street.

Shortly after the shooting Dr. W. P. Duncan was called and had the injured man removed to Passavant hospital. An X-ray was taken by Dr. J. Almond Day. The examination showed that the bullet struck the shoulder bone and glanced off and outward and broke a vase in the room where the shooting took place.

Johnson is the son of Mrs. Jennie Ross and resides at 606 South West street just across the street from Wallace's home. He is about 16 years of age. Shaw is older, being probably 21 years of age. He has been working for Arthur Reeve as a farm hand. After the matter was reported to the police Sunday morning Sheriff Graft and Officer Baker went to the Reeve farm south of the city. Shaw had not been there and Mr. Reeve and his wife had gone away from home to spend Christmas. There was no one there to look after the stock as Mr. Reeve had depended on Shaw to do it. Sheriff Graft notified Mr. Reeve's relatives that Shaw was not on the place.

According to the story told by Hudson Wallace at whose home the shooting occurred Johnson and Shaw have been good friends. Shaw is a relative of Wallace and lives there when not at work.

About 1 o'clock Sunday morning Shaw went to Wallace's house and Johnson was there. When Shaw came in he asked Johnson where he had let a certain party have his revolver.

Johnson made some remark and Shaw said, "I am not fooling, I mean what I say." Wallace said Shaw had his revolver in his hand when he came in. To the above remark Johnson, according to Wallace replied, "I have eat one of them things today," evidently referring to the revolver. Shaw again said, "I am not fooling, I am in earnest."

Wallace said he then realized that Shaw was not fooling and got up to interfere. Before he could get hold of Shaw he fired the bullet striking Johnson in the shoulder. Wallace said he got hold of Shaw and took the revolver away from him. The revolver with which the shooting was done was of the bull dog pattern and of 22 calibre.

After the shooting Shaw left the house and Dr. Duncan was called and after an examination of the wounded man had him removed to Passavant hospital. The matter was not reported to the police until Sunday morning about 9 o'clock.

**WAVERLY**

Fire started in the rear of J. H. Coe's store at midnight Thursday. It originated from an oil stove that was used to keep the potatoes from freezing. The fire was soon under control with little damage except from smoke and water.

Miss Ruth Council of Fancy Prairie has been making a visit with the Misses Marie and Ruth Irving.

Miss Henrietta Lyman returned to Jacksonville Monday morning after a short visit at the home of Mrs. Adelle Watson.

Mrs. Clara Lowe visited relatives in Chatham several days this week. Mrs. Ed Allen of Modesto has gone to Grand Fork, N. D., to spend the holidays with her children.

Mrs. Mabel Chapin spent several days last week visiting her mother, Mrs. Libbie Wyle, sister, Mrs. Cora Rogers, and brothers, Elmer and Frank Wyle. She left Wednesday for her future home at San Vito, Cal.

Mrs. Anna Swift returned home Monday from a visit in Springfield with her son, Otis Swift and family.

P. I. Turner went to Missouri last Tuesday to make preparations for his family who will follow later on.

Mrs. Juliet Messerly was in Jacksonville last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. F. L. Wylder, which occurred Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Carother spent a few days this week in St. Louis.

C. F. Morris of Modesto spent Sunday in the city with home folks.

Miss Mary Campbell who is spending the winter with her brother at La Harpe, came Tuesday for about a week's stay at her home.

Mrs. R. D. Berry returned to her home in Springfield Monday having spent the week end at the home of her sister, Mrs. Henry Horton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryon Sheppard have returned from a visit with relatives in Peoria.

What is known as a "scoop" in America does not exist in Japan. If one newspaper has a particularly choice item of news, it communicates it to other papers. What is the use of being selfish? After all, it is the editorial opinion that counts, but even in this there is an exchange of courtesy, because it is a common thing for one paper to remark that the other "commented editorially as follows yesterday."—Archibell in World Outlook.

**WISH TO EXPRESS**

Commissioner J. Edgar Martin and Chief of Police Davis wish to express their appreciation to those who donated to the city hall Christmas fund. Thru the contributors the department was enabled to make a large number of children happy who otherwise would have had a rather dreary Christmas.

**MISS SCHEIBEL WINS**

At Lincoln recently there was a prominent musical event, the rendition of Gault's Holy City by the combined choirs of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches. Miss Rebecca Scheibel sang the soprano solo part and won high praise from musical critics and all who heard her.

**OUR CHRISTMAS GIFT.**

The Christmas chimes were ringing loud,  
The land was full of pleasure,  
And every one almost, that night  
Was thinking of some treasure  
That they'd bestow on loved ones dear.

So joyous on the morrow,  
But, Oh our hearts amid it all  
Were weighted down with sorrow.

For we had lost our precious one  
And while the bells were ringing  
With tidings of the happy day  
And all about were singing  
With glad some hearts and joyous hopes

We missed our Sunshine sleeping,  
Beneath the willows on the hill  
While we were sad with weeping.

Just then we heard a timid knock  
And wondered who was calling,  
For who would brave the winter cold  
And snowflakes thickly falling?  
We turned the latch and peered out

side;  
It must be we were dreaming;  
There stood a child, was she our pet?  
The lamplight o'er her streaming.

Shone on her flowing, golden locks;  
She seemed a heavenly creature;  
While anxious (and an eager hope  
Were plain on every feature.

"Oh have you seen my mamma dear?  
"They say she's gone to heaven;  
"Is this the way to get there, please?"  
"Oh, I'd have gladly given

"My dollies and my pretty books  
"Indeed, if I could only  
"Have gone along for papa's there  
"And I am left so lonely."

Ang thus she prattled artlessly,  
A moment more we listened,  
Then quickly dashed aside the tears  
That on our faces glistened.

While to our hearts we folded her  
Then sat before the fire  
And bade her take us in the place  
Of those who'd gone up higher.

And as she slept we watched her both  
And prayed the blessed Giver,  
To let us keep her thus to fill  
The vacant place forever.

Next morn they came to take her  
back  
But found the precious flower  
Had taken root in loving soil  
And grown within an hour

To know and love its new abode;  
To us the precious treasure,  
Was like a blessing from above,  
A joy beyond all measure.

And so they left her willingly  
While we with joy caressing  
The precious boon, as 'twere from  
heaven

Declared the greatest blessing  
The Father could have given us  
Had come to ease our sorrow,  
And thus the day we dreaded so  
Had proved a glad tomorrow.

And while the merry Christmas  
chimes,  
The hours were gladly ringing  
in mind of the Master's birth  
Our hearts with joy were singing,  
For 'twas a blessed, happy day  
The loving, gracious Giver  
Had sent us such a precious boon  
To cheer our hearts forever.

**WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY. Both of Coover and Shreve's drug stores will be closed all day today.****SANTA CLAUS VISITS SHIPS OF U. S. NAVY**

"Spirit of Christmas" Very Much in Evidence On Ships in Port of New York.

New York, Dec. 24.—Nowhere in all the world will the "spirit of Christmas" be more in evidence today than on board the ships of the United States navy in the port of New York. Shore leave was to be had for the asking, but the vast majority of the jacks preferred to remain on ship for the elaborate festivities that marked the day. Routine drills will be entirely suspended, and except for cleaning ship, little or no work was done during the day.

The chief center of the day's celebration will be the battleship New York, berthed at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. During the early afternoon the crew of the battleship will have as their guests hundreds of poor children of the city whose homes are not likely to receive a visit from Santa Claus. The youngsters will be feasted at dinner and afterwards given toys, clothing and other presents. The fund for the celebration, amounting to nearly a thousand dollars, was raised entirely by the sailors.

In order that the children should not lose their tickets of admittance and chance of presents aboard ship, strong brass tags will be hung about their necks when they come up the gangplank. Visitors will not be allowed aboard until after the dinner and the distribution of the presents.

**SCIENTISTS WILL MEET IN NEW YORK**

Representatives of Great Institutions of Learning Will Discuss Progress of Science.

New York, Dec. 24.—Several thousand scientists, representing the greatest institutions of learning on the continent, will be in New York this week to discuss the progress of science during the last year. The occasion of the gathering is the annual congress of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, which embraces a score or more of the leading scientific bodies of America.

At the American Museum of Natural History, at Columbia University and at other meeting places papers will be read on discoveries in physics, mathematics and astronomy, chemistry, mechanical science and engineering, geology and geography, zoology, botany, anthropology and psychology, social and economic science, education, physiology and experimental medicine.

**REV. W. E. SPOONTS TELLS OF TEXAS PIONEER DAYS**

Jacksonville Minister Had Thrilling Experiences as a Young Man in Border Town.

Rev. W. E. Spoonst had some thrilling experiences when a young man and some of them he related in a recent conversation and while he didn't talk for publication his pardon will be asked in advance for using what he told. He said in part:

"My grandfather went to Texas when my father was yet a mere child, going from Brooklyn, New York. My Grandmother, Spoonst was an own sister of old Commodore Vanderbilt but I have not asked for a pass on any of the New York Central lines on that account and don't know that any of the family are aware of my existence. My father lived where is now Moffett, Texas, named for the father of A. C. Moffett of Waverly. No long after my arrival in this city I was visiting a lodge when a gentleman approached me and asked me if I was from Texas and when I told him I was from Moffett he asked me if I knew Dr. Moffett, for whom the place was named and I told him I knew him well and we had a delightful interview.

Ninety Miles from Store

"Our lives were certainly primitive for we lived ninety miles from the nearest store and our wants had to be supplied with what we could produce ourselves. We had poor material for houses and I well remember my father's mansion where there was such a space between the logs that I crawled through it many a time. In many cases there were no doors, blankets hung up serving the purpose as best they might.

Christmas and the week following was the great gala time of the community for then all restraint was thrown aside and all did as they pleased. It was the second cotton picking; all had money and spent it freely.

"We knew nothing at all of Halloween, paid little attention to the Fourth of July, never celebrating with fire crackers or guns; knew little or nothing of Easter and nothing of Thanksgiving, but when Christmas came all was festivity and the kind was the primitive sort. Everybody at that time had cognor whiskey in some shape even if they drank nothing of the kind during the year. In fact, I knew many very upright men who were horrified at the thought of intoxication, but who had an abundance of the ardent at Xmas. My first vivid recollection of it was one holiday when my father made a dishpan full of egg nog and told us to help ourselves. We had eleven children in the family and it took lots to go around. I drank rather freely not knowing the effects and when I went out to milk I wondered what was the matter with the cows. They seemed unable to stand upright, but wobbled and swayed about in a very undignified and improper manner. Later on I discovered the trouble was with me.

Many Pranks Played

"Every imaginable prank was played and all sorts of mischief done but there was a sort of license for it and after it was all over we settled down to the regular routine of every day life. My father was in the hardware and while not having the benefit of education, advantages is a natural orator of no mean sort and when the subject of temperance was brought home to him he at once became an ardent advocate and even now, at the age of 81 his voice is heard for abstinence. I do not know of one of my father's family becoming a habitual drinker. They were conscientious men and readily listened to the arguments for temperance.

"We had a cedar grove near our home and many a night I have fed the open fire with splints from the logs to make a light by which my father might read. The advent of kerosene was a mighty change and benefit.

Two Types of Men

"There were in the community two very distinct types of men, one wicked and outbreking and the other the opposite and statistics will show that Moffett has contributed a remarkable number of useful men to the world. On the other hand we had among us in the early days a class of men who stopped at nothing, even murder, and it is a remarkable fact that they and their descendants have nearly all come to grief.

"I well remember one man who owned thousands of acres of land and was the rich man of the community. I worked for him for twelve dollars a month. He was the leader of a band of vigilantes who wreaked their vengeance on any whom they disliked and took life for trivial cause. One night this man, Frank Grimes, rode his horse fifty miles and back to lead a band to lynch three men in jail for a minor offense. Cattle raising was a great industry and the source of untold trouble.

The Vigilantes

"One day a negro came to the part of the state and because he didn't give a white man the road when they met the vigilantes got after him but he had a shotgun and got one of them first. One night the vigilantes broke into the county jail, took several men from their cells, hanged them and laid them out on the walk for everybody to see. There was a cattle man with a crooked leg and he was marked for the noose. They took him to a clump of small trees and there was no living high enough on which to hang him so they doubled up his legs and strung him up till he was dead.

"Two men were barricaded in a house, so the vigilantes set fire to it and when the men had to appear they were riddled with bullets. The women dragged the bodies from the flames and the vigilantes returned and seeing that one man was not quite dead shot him as he lay till life was extinct. This roused the

community and the vigilantes were put down.

Some Notorious Men

"One notorious leader was Bob Whitely and one was Bob White. A curious story is told about the latter. It was said that he was apprehended, tried and condemned to the gallows where he hung till pronounced dead by doctors, placed in his coffin and carried away. The story goes that he had so many sympathizers that he was not really hanged at all, but the rope about his neck was passed under his clothes and he was not hurt. He was said to have been seen afterward alive. Several of these men were rich but all went down. Grimes is laboring as hired man eking out a scanty living and others, once rich are doing the same. Their career is a wonderful example of righteous retribution. Of course that whole region is now rid of such wild characters and is peaceable and respectable. After I was married I gave up my cowboy life and for a while managed one of three stores which did business into the hundreds of thousands in Moffett annually."

The reverend gentleman told much more that was extremely interesting but enough has been offered for this time. He could write a wonderfully interesting book.

THE DUTY WE OWE TO THE LOWER ANIMALS

It is a world wide preaching that we fellow humans owe the duty of kindness and honest treatment to our fellow men regardless of race or color, because of the fact that we are actually fraternal members of one big family that has spread all over the earth. I would not detract one iota from that principle. Instead I wish to strengthen that principle the world over. I would that the love for our fellow men were so strongly implanted in every human heart that injustice, ingratitude and lack of fraternal solicitude for the welfare of our fellow humans one to another would be entirely unknown.

But there is another duty that mankind owes. It is the duty of gratitude and justice and kindness to those animals that mankind has enslaved, viz.: the horse, the cow, the dog, the sheep and even the swine. We as superior beings are the protectors of those creatures that the Creator has given us to slave for us and to furnish us food and clothing. And we should never strike any of them a blow without it is absolutely necessary to bring about discipline; and we should never fail to show our gratitude to them individually by scrupulously attending to their wants, such as seeing that they get feed, water and shelter sufficiently. And by all means be careful that we do not over-work, over-drive or in any way over-do these faithful slaves of ours—the lower animals.

What a travesty on justice when a man strikes a horse or a dog or any

We could wish you no better on this Christmas Day than that you may live to see many more.

**What To Do When Backache Comes On**

Many People Find Quick Relief in Foley Kidney Pills

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Mr. J. W. Etris.

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other animal (without it be absolutely necessary for the sake of discipline) at the end of a day's service or even an hour's service. To maltreat those dumb animals who cannot speak and tell the world their troubles and afflictions, these animals who are entirely at our mercy—how faithfulness is outraged! What base ingratitude! Ingratitude for faithfulness of man or beast is a very black crime.

Especially should we show kindness to blind horses and homeless dogs. These animals are unfortunate through no fault of theirs. A horse that has gone blind in his master's service should excite the sympathy of every person; and particular kindness should be shown such a horse.

Let us be kind and considerate with all the dumb animals that we make slaves of. They cannot speak their woes. They cannot plead their case. They cannot tell of the wrongs committed against them. God created them dumb. They must bear their abuses untold.

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## A Happy Christmas in Galilee

It was evening and the little village in which Reuben lived was quiet save for the occasional barking of a dog on the top of some small dwelling. Reuben had come down from the mountain where he had been with his son Isaac whom he was teaching to care for the sheep and was sitting in deep meditation till finally his wife, Rachel approached him saying:

"What is troubling thee tonight, Reuben; thou art very silent as if something had gone wrong. What is it?"

"Nothing troubles me," was the other short answer and he stepped out into the little street. The moon was full and shone like a silver veil in the sky, while the sea of Galilee, some miles distant, lay placid and quiet like a mirror framed by the hills that surrounded it. The soft light tipped the trees on the sides of the mountains with a peculiar radiance and all about was calm and still.

Reuben entered his humble home and again his wife gently pressed him to tell her the cause of his peculiar mood when he said:

"O, Rachel; I have heard a wonderful discourse today. As I was coming down the mountain after having Isaac and on the other side I saw a large gathering of people evidently much interested in a man, whom they were following. I pressed close to him and saw he had with him a number of immediate followers, no, like the others, were anxious to hear him speak so he chose a large rock and sitting on it uttered such a strange and new doctrine that I was speechless. He did not look like an ordinary person for there was on his features an appearance of majesty like that of a mighty king and at the same time an expression of kindly tenderness so apparent that while I stood in awe I was not at all afraid.

"His words overthrew so many teachings of the elders and yet he spoke with such authority that no one could dispute him. He didn't tell his hearers what some one else had told him but rather, 'I say unto you,' he would often repeat. He began by telling his followers how to be happy, and he said so much about the kingdom of heaven, I couldn't quite understand what he meant by that but it seemed something very desirable. He said the happy ones were poor in spirit, that mourn, were meek for they should inherit the earth and he actually said that they which were persecuted for righteousness' sake were happy for theirs would be that kingdom and he said that they were happy when men reviled them and said all manner of evil against them falsely for his sake."

"And was that all?"

"No, he said so many things I can't recall all of them."

"Tell me some more, I pray."

"He said, 'people should give in secret, should not be hasty and give such a wonderful prayer, I can never forget it.'"

"And what else did he say?"

"He said we should love our enemies, bless them that curse us and pray for them that despitefully use us and persecute us."

And then it was that Rachel knew what was on her husband's mind, for only a few days before he had had a falling out with Elijah, a friend from boyhood and the cause was trivial they had been sworn enemies ever since.

No more was said and they retired but Reuben couldn't sleep for the words of the mysterious stranger kept ringing in his ears.

Next day a messenger came breathless to his door urging him to hurry to Nain where lived his widowed sister Sarah, her only children, Simeon was sick. He hastened to comply for he loved his sister dearly and her son Simeon was a noble young man. He was gone more than a week and Rachel spent many anxious hours while he was away and when finally he did return his face was radiant.

"And how is Simeon?" was the eager question which greeted him on his return.

"O Rachel; I have seen wonders and most of all the Messiah."

"Why Reuben?"

"Yes, it is true."

"And was he indeed a king and did he have a great army who will free our nation?"

"Not that; but listen. When I reached Nain poor Sarah met me, her eyes red with weeping for her boy was very sick. He hardly knew me but when he recognized me he held my hand and begged me to go to his mother. With tears in my eyes and my throat choking with grief I promised. We watched by him four days all the time hoping for his recovery but he grew steadily worse and one morning, just as the sun was coming up, he smiled, said goodbye and was no more. Poor Sarah was wild with grief and could not be comforted. In vain the good priest and all her friends gathered about her and tried to console her; she could only say, 'My Boy! My Boy!' and wring her hands in grief. She refused to have the body buried as it should have been buried that day but insisted on having it laid away in an upper room till the next morning, when it was evident we could wait no longer for discoloration had begun, so securing the mourners and pall bearers we started for the grave. The good priest walked next to the bier and we followed, two of us almost carrying poor Sarah, who nearly fell at each step."

"When we were about half way to the grave the procession was stopped and I looked up to see the cause and heard the priest say, 'Why this disturbance of the procession?'"

"And then to my astonishment I saw the wonderful person who had spoken those marvelous words on the side of the mountain. He made no answer but commanded the bearers to set the body on the ground. The priest went forward to order him away but a look from the wonderful stranger was sufficient and the priest was silent but when he removed the covering from the bier a murmur of wrath was heard in the throng who could hardly be restrained and when he took the dead boy's hand several sprang forward and would have thrust him away but again that look silenced all."

"Then with words which I can never forget he told the dead boy to arise. For a moment all was still for every one supposed the stranger was an impostor interfering with the procession, when to our utter astonishment Simeon raised his head, looked about an instant as if dazed and then seeing Sarah cried out, 'Mother! Mother!'"

"Sarah sprang forward with a cry and fell fainting on the bier. Simeon was helped up and his grave clothes unwound while Sarah was soon revived and looking about as if in a dream clasped her son to her breast and kissed him over and over and then prostrating herself at the feet of the mysterious stranger she poured out her soul in gratitude to him."

There were some haughty Pharisees in the procession who said it was all a trick; that Simeon was not dead, but I soon settled the case with them for I knew that discoloration had set in and told them of it plainly."

"Then Sarah begged the wonderful stranger to accept her humble hospitality which he did and we did the best we could to satisfy the hunger of our wonderful visitor. People gathered about in great numbers to see him and to look on Simeon for the marvel was soon known far and wide and while there were so many Scribes and Pharisees who insisted there was fraud they were so severely contradicted by us who knew better that they had little to say."

"All were so eager to hear and see more of him that he finally took his seat on a large rock in a field near by and soon he had about him as many as could hear him and O Rachel, what a discourse he gave us. He said he was one who had come to establish a kingdom indeed, not with the sword but with love. He said we must not more fight to conquer but overcome with gentle means. He told us that he loved every one and wanted every one to love him and each other."

"While he was talking there was a commotion on the outside of the gathering and two or three of his followers went to see what was the trouble and I heard them arguing with some women so loudly that the stranger heard them and asked what was the trouble and they told him that some women with babies wanted him to stop talking and bless their children and they told them to go away and not trouble him."

"And then what do you think? He rebuked his followers, told the mothers to bring their babies right to him, saying:

'Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of heaven.'"

And then he took the little ones in his arms so gently and tenderly and raising his eyes to heaven he pronounced a blessing on the innocent little ones in such a wonderful manner that even old grey haired men turned aside to conceal their tears. One after another said that he must be the Messiah and when he was asked he told them he was indeed the one so long expected but urged them to remember his kingdom was not to be with sword and spear but with love for all mankind."

"Many pressed about Simeon to ask him what were his experiences while he was dead but he said simply that it was something words couldn't describe and it was of no use to make the attempt. Sarah could hardly leave him for a moment fearing his restoration was all a dream but it was not and when the Blessed One left she again poured out her soul in gratitude to him and begged him to be her guest whenever he could. I was sorry to leave her and yet there was nothing more that I could do for her so I set out for home and now, Rachel, I must seek Elijah."

As Reuben hastened along the way he met the one whom he was seeking but Elijah had also heard the wonderful discourse and was looking for Reuben as soon as he would return from Nain.

"Forgive me, Elijah," cried Reuben, "I was the one to blame."

"Nay, Reuben; it was I who was at fault."

And the two who had thus happily become reconciled then and there promised allegiance to him who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me."

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### WOMEN IN THE NEWS

The fact that Earl Curzon of Kedleston, former viceroy of India, who has been named Lord President of the Council in the new British cabinet, is to take another beautiful American woman for his second wife, has created vast interest in American as well as British social circles. The first Lady Curzon, who was also the first American woman to fill the dignity of vicereine of a British dominion, was Miss Mary Leiter of Chicago and a Washington, a sister of Joseph Leiter and a famous beauty. She was married to Lord Curzon in Washington in 1895, and died in 1906, leaving three daughters. As vicereine of India she was one of the splendor of her entertainment, which was truly royal and due in large part to her good American millions. The lady who will now step into her shoes, Mrs. Elvina Duggan, is also very wealthy. She is a native of Alabama and the daughter of the late Monroe Hinds, formerly American Minister to Brazil. She is the widow of Alfred Duggan of Buenos Ayres, who died a year ago. She is well known socially in London, where she has a fine establishment and has entertained on a lavish scale.

The name of the German cruiser *Frauenlob* (Praise of Woman) which has from time to time figured in the war news and was finally reported lost in the battle of Jutland, has more than once caused speculation. Whether lost or not, there will always be a *Frauenlob* in the German navy. When it was first decided to build a powerful German fleet, the women of Germany raised a large contribution toward its cost by special collections among themselves. To commemorate their patriotic efforts a cruiser launched in 1853 was called the *Frauenlob*, and the name has since been borne by five other warships.

Florence Kelley, general secretary of the Consumers' League, who is vigorously criticizing the New York State Industrial Commission for alleged laxity in enforcing the law restricting women's and children's labor, is a veteran social worker with an international reputation. Her father was a Philadelphia Congressman of national prominence in his day. She was educated at Cornell University, and thereafter began to take much interest in problems of sociology, especially those faced by women. Her settlement in Chicago led to activity in reform movements in Illinois, and from 1893 to 1897, she was in inspector of the factories of that state. In 1899 she came to her present position, and has filled it with ability and vigor. She has been a wide reader of the literature of human struggles for economic and political independence, and has written prolifically for the causes in which she believes.

Ohio State University's newest building, recently completed at a cost of \$150,000, will be used entirely for the instruction of girls in becoming good housewives. It is called the Home Economics Building, and has 37 rooms and 36,000 square feet of floor space. The girls studying home economics must be good housekeepers will be demonstrated in this building, which is modern enough in every respect to meet the ambitions of the most fastidious home-planner—with noiseless floors, washed air fanned into the rooms every minute, and the newest system of indirect lighting. This model building contains a model apartment of eight rooms which girl students must occupy and maintain properly for at least four weeks before they can obtain a diploma. Parents and even sweethearts can visit them during this time and assure themselves that the principles of home making have been properly installed. Those visits will in fact be particularly encouraged as an incentive to the girls, and who knows but what this building may clinch many a romance, and embody many a faint heart to offer himself to the first "home economist" he beholds at work? Another notable feature of the building is a large auditorium and home-makers' laboratory where cooking and sewing will be taught to short course students and members of women's clubs.

Mrs. A. C. Dunk, president of the Political and Civic League of Detroit, in presiding over a meeting of that body recently declared that one of the causes of the high cost of living was the women's desire to appear more wealthy than they really are, and taking a foolish pride in not asking the price of an article before buying, thinking that they thereby create an impression of ease and affluence. Many make it a practice never to ask the price, and are imposed upon in consequence. Another extravagance arising from foolish pride is the desire to trade "only at the best shops" where in some cases the high prices are justified only by the silly willingness to pay them.

**KEY WEST IN THROES OF CARNIVAL ENTHUSIASM**

Streets Are Thronged with Hundreds of Visitors and the City is Gaily Decorated.

Key West, Fla., Dec. 24.—Today Key West will be in the throes of carnival enthusiasm. The entire city will be gaily decorated and the streets are thronged with visitors. After weeks of energetic preparation, committees composed of the leading men of the city are ready for the first edition of a mid-winter carnival that, in course of time, is expected to rival the famed festivities held in other cities of the South. Every feature of the two-weeks' program will be characteristic of Key West. A royal pageant and the coronation of the carnival queen usher in the merry-making. Street shows, aquatic contests, band concerts, fireworks displays and civic, industrial and automobile parades will be included in the program.

L. V. Bourn of Grace Chapel was a visitor in the city Saturday.

### TO TRY BROKER ON MURDER CHARGE

Work of Impanelling Jury in Fredrick Small Murder Case Will Begin.

Ossipee, N. H., Dec. 24.—In his corner cell in the little Ossipee jail, Frederick L. Small, former Boston broker will spend Christmas day cogitating on the possible outcome of his trial on charge of first degree murder of his wife. Tomorrow the work of impanelling a jury will begin and it is expected the hearing will be well under way before the end of the week. The trial promises to be the most sensational that has taken place in this section in many years.

The indictments accuse Small of having shot and strangled his wife to death. The burned body of the slain woman was found in the ruins of the summer cottage occupied by the couple at Mountainview, which Small is alleged to have set on fire in an effort to conceal the crime. The attempt failed only by the merest chance. The body of Mrs. Small dropped with the burning floor into the basement, and the head and neck lodged in a pool of water. The rope which is supposed to have caused strangulation was preserved. The skull had been crushed by a blow or blows and the body had been partially burned. A desire to collect insurance of the life of the slain woman is alleged by the state to have furnished the motive for the crime. Only a few months before the tragedy a joint policy had been issued on the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Small for \$20,000.

### CALENDAR OF SPORTS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday.**

Automobile track races at Ascot speedway, Los Angeles.

International go-as-you-please 72-hour championship, at Philadelphia.

Charley White vs. Walter Wahr, 10 rounds, at Brooklyn.

Finney Boyle vs. Larry Hansen, 12 rounds, at Lawrence, Mass.

**Tuesday.**

National junior indoor tennis championship tournament opens in New York.

Annual tournament of Oklahoma State checker association opens at Oklahoma City.

Joe Eagan vs. Al Nelson, 12 rounds at Manchester, N. H.

**Wednesday.**

Opening of the season of the Canadian National Hockey association.

**Thursday.**

Annual meeting of National Collegiate Athletic association, at New York.

Opening of annual mid-winter golf tournament at Pinehurst, N. C.

Matt Wells vs. Johnny Dundee, 12 rounds, at Columbus, O.

**Saturday.**

Annual tennis matches for Tuxedo Challenge Cup begin at Tuxedo, N. Y.

Opening of annual show of Cleveland Automobile Dealers' association.

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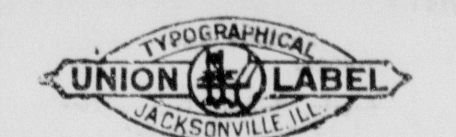
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Leaves. 1:50 p.m.  
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Kan. City-St. Louis local. 10:33 a.m.  
St. Louis-Mexico accom. 4:15 p.m.  
Kansas City Express. 10:55 p.m.

East Bound—  
No. 72 local frgt. ex. Sun. 11:20 a.m.  
No. 12. 9:45 p.m.  
No. 52, daily. 6:05 p.m.  
No. 28, daily. 1:53 a.m.  
No. 4, daily. 8:30 a.m.  
No trains stop at Junction.

West Bound—  
No. 29, daily. 1:10 p.m.  
No. 73, loc. frgt. ex. Sun. 2:40 p.m.  
No. 3, daily. 7:15 a.m.  
No. 15, daily. 5:10 p.m.  
No. 53, Hannibal Accom., 10:05 a.m.  
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No. 36, daily. 7:49 a.m.  
No. 35, returns. 11:21 a.m.  
No. 38, leaves. 3:09 p.m.  
No. 37, arrives. 7:26 p.m.  
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week. Value have made a healthy  
advance since Monday and now gen-  
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11.25 ones 40 to 50c higher. Best  
for week weight around 1600 lbs.  
at \$11.75. Good cows not much  
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of the season. Bull trade strong,  
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Springs, light. 13c  
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catur are enjoying a visit with Mrs.  
Goltra's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rob-  
ert Stawlings on Clay avenue.

**XMAS CAUSES EXODUS**  
**FROM WASHINGTON**  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 23.—Out-  
going trains today carried hundreds  
of congressmen and other public of-  
ficials who are going to their res-  
pective homes to spend the Christ-  
mas holidays. Both houses of con-  
gress and the supreme court have  
adjourned for the customary recess.  
Not until the day following New  
Year's will the machinery of govern-  
ment again get in full swing.

The president and virtually all of  
the members of his cabinet, as well  
as many others holding high posi-  
tions in the government service plan  
to remain in Washington over  
Christmas. The social and other at-  
tractions of the capital at this season  
have increased to such an extent dur-  
ing the past decade that the num-  
ber of those leaving the city for the  
Christmas holidays has decreased to  
a noticeable extent. This year the  
exodus is confined almost wholly to  
congressmen and other officials liv-  
ing in near-by states.

**CHILEAN RAILROAD**  
**MAY BE CONSTRUCTED**

Delay in Connecting Up Trans-  
Andine Route Due to Difference of  
Engineers' Opinions—Road Thru  
Mountains Bring Wonderful Scen-  
ery Into Vision

Valparaiso, Chile, Dec. 23.—(Cor-  
respondence of The Associated  
Press).—The Department of Public  
Works has again seriously taken un-  
der consideration the proposition of  
constructing the Chilean end of a  
new Trans-Andine Railway. The  
line, which official reports say will  
be built at the earliest possible mo-  
ment, will connect the Argentine  
port of Bahia Blanca with Lebu and  
will cross the Andes in the foreign  
regions of Longuinay. The argen-  
tine end of the new trans-continental  
where work was halted to await a  
like development on the western  
slope of the Andes.

That Chile has not as yet built  
her section is due to a difference of  
opinion among government engineers  
as to the most available route. Two  
counter projects have been urged in  
the Chamber of Deputies. Those  
call for lines across the mountains  
of central and northern Chile, but  
the exhaustive report of Senor Dan-  
ingo Duran, government expert,  
which has just been submitted seems  
to have settled the matter in favor  
of the southern pass. The bleak  
nature of the Andes in the northern  
and central parts, with the liability  
of avalanches which might block the  
line for months, has apparently de-  
termined the government to com-  
mence work in the south where the  
forests of the high plateaus will  
hold the sliding snows.

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